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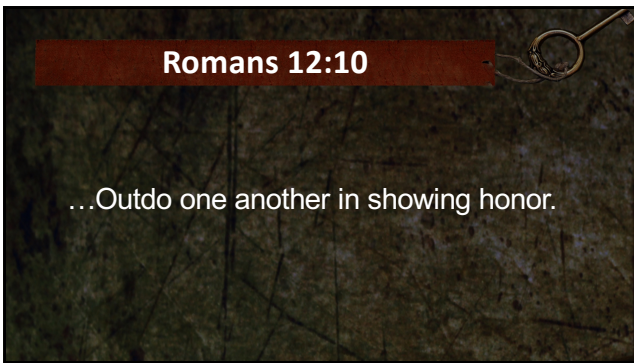
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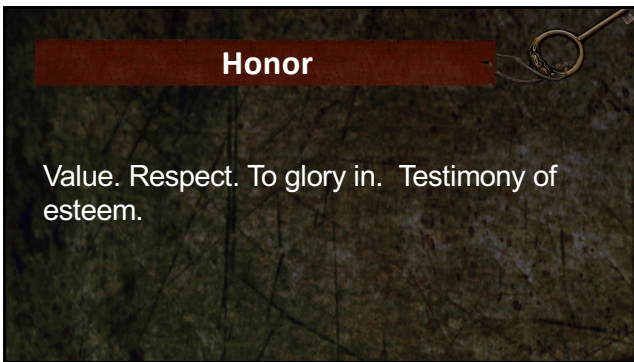
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**Matthew 12:37-39**

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

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**Priority of Great Commands**

- 1. Love God
- 2. Love yourself
- 3. Love Others

Love God → Love Yourself → Love Others

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**Honor Yourself, Honor Others**

We will love and honor others to the degree we have learned to love and honor the work of God in ourselves.

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**Honor Code**

Our ability to honor others grows as we honor the work of God in us.

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**Judges 6:11-18**

Now the angel of the Lord came and sat under the terebinth at Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the winepress to hide it from the Midianites.

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**Judges 6:11-18**

And the angel of the Lord appeared to him and said to him, "The Lord is with you, O mighty man of valor." And Gideon said to him, "Please, sir, if the Lord is with us, why then has all this happened to us?"

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**Judges 6:11-18**

And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us, saying, 'Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt?' But now the Lord has forsaken us and given us into the hand of Midian."

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**Judges 6:11-18**

And the Lord turned to him and said, "Go in this might of yours and save Israel from the hand of Midian; do not I send you?" And he said to him, "Please, Lord, how can I save Israel? Behold, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house."

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**Judges 6:11-18**

And the Lord said to him, "But I will be with you, and you shall strike the Midianites as one man." And he said to him, "If now I have found favor in your eyes, then show me a sign that it is you who speak with me."

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**Judges 6:11-18**

Please do not depart from here until I come to you and bring out my present and set it before you." And he said, "I will stay till you return."

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**Questions Reveal**

<p><b>Gideon</b></p> <p>Please, sir, if the Lord is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us</p>	<p><b>Hidden Fear</b></p> <p>Bad circumstances means God has cursed me</p> <p>God isn't able to bless me. Life is unchangeable. Learn how to cope</p>
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**Questions Reveal**

<b>Gideon</b> How can I save Israel?	<b>Hidden Fear</b> I'm inadequate.
Please do not depart from here until I ... bring out my present	<b>My offering isn't acceptable</b>

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**Dishonor is Rooted in Lies**

1. Cursed, not blessed
2. Inadequate, not powerful
3. Rejected, not Accepted

**Dishonor is rooted in self-hatred**

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**Honor is Rooted in Truth**

1. Blessed, Not Cursed
2. Powerful, Not Inadequate
3. Accepted, Not Rejected

**Honor is rooted in love of God's work**

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**Psalm 139:14**

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

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**Psalm 139:14-16 Message**

I thank you, High God—you're breathtaking! Body and soul, I am marvelously made! I worship in adoration—what a creation! You know me inside and out, you know every bone in my body;

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**Psalm 139:14-16 Message**

Like an open book, you watched me grow from conception to birth; all the stages of my life were spread out before you, The days of my life all prepared before I'd even lived one day.

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**Honor Yourself**

We are empowered to honor ourselves to the level we honor our creator's work within us.



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**Honor Code**

Our ability to honor others grows as we honor the work of God in us.



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**Honoring Yourself**

1. Accept yourself



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**2 Corinthians 4:6-10**

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us..

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**2 Corinthians 4:6-10**

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

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**Honor Others By Faith**

Faith is required to honor someone because (at times) we are confessing qualities that are shrouded by weakness.

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### Honor Ourselves By Faith

Faith is required to honor yourself because (at times) we are confessing qualities that are shrouded by weakness.

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### God Redeems

God redeems every failure, every success, every weakness and every strength for his glory when we surrender to Him

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### Honoring Yourself

1. Accept yourself
2. Discover yourself

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**Discover Yourself**

1. Personality Profile
2. Love Language
3. Learning Style
4. Worship Style
5. Spiritual Gifts
6. Calling



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**Honoring Yourself**

1. Accept yourself
2. Discover yourself
3. Release yourself



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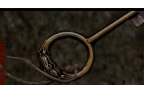
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**Release Yourself**

1. Needing to be Perfect
2. Praise and criticism of men
3. To be Authentic
4. To Be Called



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**Judges 6**

And he said to him, "If now I have found favor in your eyes, then show me a sign that it is you who speak with me. Please do not depart from here until I come to you and bring out my present and set it before you." And he said, "I will stay till you return."

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**Judges 6**

Then Gideon perceived that he was the angel of the Lord. And Gideon said, "Alas, O Lord God! For now I have seen the angel of the Lord face to face." But the Lord said to him, "Peace be to you. Do not fear; you shall not die."

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**Judges 6**

Then Gideon built an altar there to the Lord and called it, The Lord Is Peace. To this day it still stands at Ophrah, which belongs to the Abiezrites.

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### Meal Offering

1. It is a sweet savor to God, given not because of sin but out of heartfelt devotion.
2. It is offered for acceptance
3. A life is given, representing total devotion
4. It is completely burned up, also representing total devotion

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### Honor Code

Our ability to honor others grows as we honor the work of God in us.

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# HONOR CODE

Unlocking Kingdom Power Through Relationship

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