

Outline - Sunday, January 07, 2018

Sermon Title: CALLED to HONOR, "Being HONORABLE People"

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-17/Isaiah 9:15

- 1. **Defining HONOR:** To hold in respect; esteem, honor: To confer distinction on, to express value, merit, worth. Honor is a bestowment, deference, conferring upon someone who is properly and rightly worthy of this reverence. Rom 13:7
- 2. **The** *Act of honoring* **is a virtue itself:** Only honorable people <u>show</u> or render honor!
 - a. Position of <u>strength</u> b. Privilege of <u>opportunity</u> c. Practice of <u>appreciation</u> Matt 2:10

Chabod – Yeqar – Doxa – Timeo – to make heavy, bestow weight, abundance, – to manifest splendor, virtue, glory – "You are Giving away... You are divesting yourself of something! No self–HONOR! – John 8:54/Prov 27:2

- 3. **DISHONORABLE people operate from:** Prov 3:27-28
- a. A deficit of weakness Heb 11:6
- b. The trap of selfishness 1 John 2:15-17 thematic...
- c. The bondage of insecurity James 4:2-4/Luke 11:9
- 4. The ORIGIN of HONOR is GOD HIMSELF: 1 Chron 16:27, 36
- a. David is a great example of an object and bestower of honor 1 Chron 16:2-3
- b. He also HONORED GOD IN WORSHIP 1 Chron 16:9-10, 11-19
- c. All the Saints in the REVELATION Rev 4:9, 11/Rev 5:12-13/Rev 17:12/Rev 19:1, 7/Rev 21:24, 26
- 5. The Character of honor: Acts 28:1-10
- a. Sincere, honest, discreet, discerning, discriminating, it does not flatter, controversial. Prov 5:9; 29:23
- b. **Honor is what you THINK, SAY, and DO!** Towards those whom both God has told us to honor and those who deserve it. Phil 4:8/1 Peter 2:17/Lev 19:15, 32
- 6. Why gospel Ethics? Luke 6:30-38
- a. God has called the believer to a greater quality of life Eph 5:1-3, 8/Col 3:12-13
- b. HIS children are under the discipline of conformity to Christ Heb 12:6-11
- c. GOD has called us to be partakers of His holiness Prov 13:18
- d. To bear witness to the reality and power of Grace -1 Peter 2:15

7. Models of honorable men in women:

ABRAHAM/SARAH – called to be FATHER/MOTHER of all the faithful – (FAITH)

JOSEPH – call to be Prime minister of EGYPT – (HUMILITY) He saved the world

Moses – Called to LEAD Israel as a PROPHET/PRIEST/KING – (SUBMISSION)

JOB – called to reflect GOD'S glory among the ancient men –(WISDOM) – Job 29:1-25

HANNA – called to be the MOTHER of Samuel the Transition of the Kingdom – (PRAYER)

DANIEL – called to allegiance to GOD in the Babylonian System – (DEDICATION)

JOSEPH/MARY called to bear the Mystery with humility (HUMILITY) – Matt 2:10

8. Models of Dishonorable people:

EVE dishonored GOD'S WORD - Gen 3:1-7/1 Tim 2:12-15

LOT Dishonored GOD'S promise to ABRAHAM – Prov 20:3/1 Peter 2:17

King SAUL – dishonored GOD'S Word – 1 Sam 15:23-30

Michal Saul's daughter dishonored David – 2 Sam 6:21-23

ABSALOM – dishonored His FATHER – 2 Sam 17:14; 18:10

ANANIAS/SAPPHIRA – Lied to GOD and the Church – Acts 5:1-12

JUDAS betrayed Christ with a DISHONORABLE price – Matt 27:9