

The Principle of HONOR — Dr. Jay Zinn

Scripture References

To lay the foundation for Revival and sustaining Revival requires a culture of Honor. This is where the Lord is taking us this coming year. To lay a foundation for this theme I did a word study on honor through the Old and New Testament. I would encourage you to read through these scriptures to see what I discovered.

Honor is Defined in the Old Testament as: a weighty presence, majestic, dignity, value, a precious possession, ornamental splendor, glorious, magnificence, extreme greatness, and beauty.

Honor is Defined in the New Testament as: to value, to prize, to revere, glory, dignity, to esteem in the highest degree, to hold in the highest regard, to show respect, a precious valuable.

Who does the Bible say we should honor?

- 1) Your father and mother (Ex. 20:12; Gen. 9:20-23; Mal. 1:6; Matt. 15:3-9; Eph. 6:1-3).
- 2) Those ordained to serve in the religious matters of God's kingdom (Ex. 28:2-3; 40-41; 1 Tim. 5:17-20).
- 3) The elderly and the aged (Lev. 19:32).
- 4) Kings and Governors (2 Sam. 6:20-23; 1 Pet. 2:17).
- 5) Prophets and five-fold ministries (Mat. 10:40-42; 13:54-57; 1 Tim. 5:17-20).
- 6) One another (Rom. 12:10-11; Phil. 2:3).
- 7) The parts of the body that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor (1 Cor. 12:21-26).
- 8) Apostolic representatives of the churches (2 Cor. 8:23-24).
- 9) Those who sacrifice and risk much for the work of Christ (Phil 2:29-30).
- 10) [Double honor for] elders who direct the affairs of the church well (1 Tim. 5:17-20).
- 11) Those whose work is preaching and teaching (1 Tim. 5:17).
- 12) Those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord (1 Thess. 5:12-13).
- 13) Everyone (1 Pet. 2:17).
- 14) Your wife (1 Pet. 3:7).
- 15) Your husband (Eph. 5:33)

How does honor come about?

- 1) It comes from God (1 Chron. 29:12; Ps. 8:4-5; 62:7; 84:11).
- 2) It comes from those who do good and righteous things (Est. 6:1-3; Rom. 2:6-11).
- 3) Through being wise (Prov. 3:35).
- 4) Through humility (Prov. 18:12; 22:4; 25:27; 29:23; Matt. 23:1-12; Luke 14:7-11; 20:45-47; Phil. 2:3).
- 5) Through avoiding strife and quarreling (Prov. 20:3).
- 6) Through pursuing righteousness and love (Prov. 21:21; Rom. 2:6-9).
- 7) Through the fear of the Lord (Prov. 22:4).
- 8) Through working for the honor of God (John 7:18-19).
- 9) By directing the affairs of the church well (1 Tim. 5:17-20).

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Old Testament Hebrew Words in Strong's Concordance used for "honor."

3513 kabad (kaw-bad'); or kabed (kaw-bade'); a primitive root; to be heavy, in a good sense (numerous, rich, honorable; causatively, to make weighty: KJV - abounding with, glorify, be (make) glorious (things), glory, (very) great, (be) honorable (man), promote (to honor), be rich.

3519 kabowd (kaw-bode') properly, weight, but only figuratively in a good sense, splendor or copiousness: -glorious (-ly), glory, honor (-able).

3366 yegar (yek-awr'); from OT:3365; value, i.e. (concretely) wealth; costliness, dignity: KJV - honor, precious (things), price.

1926 hadar (haw-dawr'); from OT:1921; magnificence, i.e. ornament or splendor: -beauty, comeliness, excellency, glorious, glory, goodly, honor, majesty.

Ex 20:12 (3513 kabad)

Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you. NIV

Gen 9:20-23 (Example of honoring your father)

Noah, a man of the soil, proceeded to plant a vineyard. 21 When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent. 22 Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father's nakedness and told his two brothers outside. 23 But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it across their shoulders; then they walked in backward and covered their father's nakedness. Their faces were turned the other way **so that they would not see** their father's nakedness. NIV

Ex 28:2-3 (3519 kabowd)

Make sacred garments for your brother Aaron, to give him **dignity** [beauty] and **honor** [glory]. NIV

Ex 28:40-41 (3519 kabowd)

Make tunics, sashes and headbands for Aaron's sons, to give them **dignity** [beauty] and **honor** [glory] 41 After you put these clothes on your brother Aaron and his sons, anoint and ordain them. Consecrate them so they may serve me as priests. NIV

Lev 19:32

Rise in the presence of the aged, **show respect** for the elderly and revere your God. I am the Lord. NIV

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2 Sam 6:20-23 (3513 kabad)

When David returned home to bless his household, Michal daughter of Saul came out to meet him and said, "How the king of Israel has distinguished himself today, disrobing in the sight of the slave girls of his servants as any vulgar fellow would!"

21 David said to Michal, "It was before the Lord, who chose me rather than your father or anyone from his house when he appointed me ruler over the Lord's people Israel — I will celebrate before the Lord.

22 I will become even more undignified than this, and I will be humiliated in my own eyes. But by these slave girls you spoke of, I will be held in **honor**."

23 And Michal daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death. NIV

1 Chron 29:12 (3519 kabowd)

Wealth and **honor** come from you; you are the ruler of all things. NIV

Est 6:1-3 (3366 yeqar)

That night the king could not sleep; so he ordered the book of the chronicles, the record of his reign, to be brought in and read to him. 2 It was found recorded there that Mordecai had exposed Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's officers who guarded the doorway, who had conspired to assassinate King Xerxes.

3 "What **honor** and **recognition** has Mordecai received for this?" the king asked. NIV

Ps 8:4-5 (1926 hadar)

What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? 5 You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with **glory** and **honor**. NIV

Ps 62:7 (3519 kabowd)

My salvation and my **honor** [glory] depend on God. NIV

Ps 84:11 (3513 kabad)

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor [grace] and **honor** [glory]; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. NIV

Prov 3:9-10 (3513 kabad)

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits [tithes] of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. NIV

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Prov 3:35 (3519 kabowd)

The wise inherit **honor** [glory], but fools he holds up to shame. NIV

Prov 18:12 (3519 kabowd)

Before his downfall a man's heart is proud, but humility comes before **honor**. NIV

Prov 20:3 (3519 kabowd)

It is to a man's **honor** to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel. NIV

Prov 21:21 (3519 kabowd)

He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and **honor**. NIV

Prov 22:4 (3519 kabowd)

Humility and the fear of the Lord bring wealth and **honor** and life. NIV

Prov 25:27 (3519 kabowd)

It is not good to eat too much honey, nor is it **honorable** [glorifying] to seek one's own **honor** [glory].
NIV

Prov 29:23 (3519 kabowd)

A man's pride brings him low, but a man of lowly spirit gains **honor**. NIV

Mal 1:6 (3519 kabowd)

A son **honors** his father, and a servant his master. If I am a father, where is the **honor** due me? NIV

New Testament Greek Words in Strong's Concordance used for "honor."

820 **atimos** (at'-ee-mos); from NT:1 (as a negative particle) and NT:5092; (negatively) unhonoured or (positively) dishonoured: KJV - despised, without honour, less honourable [comparative degree].

5091 **timao** (tim-ah'-o); from NT:5093; to prize, i.e. fix a valuation upon; by implication, to revere: KJV - honor, value.

4411 **protoklisia** (pro-tok-lis-ee'-ah); from NT:4413 and NT:2828; a reclining first (in the place of honor) at the dinner-bed, i.e. preeminence at meals: KJV - chief (highest, uppermost) room.

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1391 **doxa** (dox'-ah); from the base of NT:1380; glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective): KJV - dignity, glory (-ious), honor, praise, worship.

5092 **time** (tee-may'); from NT:5099; a value, i.e. money paid, or (concretely and collectively) valuables; by analogy, esteem (especially of the highest degree), or the dignity itself: KJV - honor, precious, price, some.

2192 **echo** (ekh'-o); including an alternate form scheo (skheh'-o); used in certain tenses only); a primary verb; to hold (used in very various applications, literally or figuratively, direct or remote; such as possessions; ability, continuity, relation, or condition).

2233 **hegeomai** (hayg-eh'-om-ah-ee); middle voice of a (presumed) strengthened form of NT:71; to lead, i.e. command (with official authority); figuratively, to deem, i.e. consider: KJV - account, (be) chief, count, esteem, governor, judge, have the rule over, suppose, think.

Matt 10:40-42

He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives the one who sent me. 41 Anyone who receives a prophet **because he is a prophet** will receive a prophet's reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. NIV

Matt 13:54-57 (820 *atimos*)

Coming to his hometown, he began teaching the people in their synagogue, and they were amazed. "Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers?" they asked. 55 "Isn't this the carpenter's son? Isn't his mother's name Mary, and aren't his brothers James, Joseph, Simon and Judas? 56 Aren't all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all these things?" 57 And they took offense at him.

But Jesus said to them, "Only in his hometown and in his own house is a prophet without **honor**." NIV

Matt 15:3-9 (5091 *timao*)

Jesus replied, "And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition? 4 For God said, '**Honor** your father and mother' and 'Anyone who curses his father or mother must be put to death.' 5 But you say that if a man says to his father or mother, 'Whatever help you might otherwise have received from me is a gift devoted to God,' 6 he is not to '**honor** his father' with it. Thus you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition. 7 You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you:

8 "'These people **honor** me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

9 They worship me in vain; their teachings are but rules taught by men.'" NIV

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Matt 23:1-12 (4411 protoklisia)

Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: 2 "The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat. 3 So you must obey them and do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. 4 They tie up heavy loads and put them on men's shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to lift a finger to move them.

5 "Everything they do is done for men to see: They make their phylacteries wide and the tassels on their garments long; 6 they love the place of **honor** at banquets and the most important seats in the synagogues; 7 they love to be greeted in the marketplaces and to have men call them 'Rabbi.'

8 "But you are not to be called 'Rabbi,' for you have only one Master and you are all brothers. 9 And do not call anyone on earth 'father,' for you have one Father, and he is in heaven. 10 Nor are you to be called 'teacher,' for you have one Teacher, the Christ. 11 The greatest among you will be your servant. 12 For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. NIV

Luke 14:7-11 (4411 protoklisia)

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: 8 "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of **honor**, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. 9 If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this man your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. 10 But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be **honored** in the presence of all your fellow guests. 11 For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." NIV

Luke 20:45-47 (4411 protoklisia)

While all the people were listening, Jesus said to his disciples, 46 "Beware of the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and love to be greeted in the marketplaces and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of **honor** at banquets. 47 They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. Such men will be punished most severely." NIV

John 7:18-19 (1391 doxa)

He who speaks on his own does so to gain **honor** for himself, but he who works for the honor of the one who sent him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him. NIV

Rom 2:6-9 (5092 time)

God "will give to each person according to what he has done." 7 To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, **honor** and immortality, he will give eternal life. 8 But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. NIV

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Rom 2:9-11 (5092 time)

There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; 10 but glory, **honor** and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. NIV

Rom 12:10-11 (5092 time) Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. **Honor** one another above yourselves. NIV

Rom 12:10-11 (5092 time)

Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing **honor**. ESV

Rom 13:7 (5092 time)

Give everyone what you owe him: ... if respect, then respect; if **honor**, then **honor**. NIV

1 Cor 12:21-26 (5092 time)

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" 22 On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23 and the parts that we think are less **honorable** we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, 24 while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater **honor** to the parts that lacked it, 25 so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is **honored**, every part rejoices with it. NIV

2 Cor 8:23-24 (1391 doxa)

As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker among you; as for our brothers, they are representatives of the churches and **an honor** to Christ. 24 Therefore show these men the proof of your love and the reason for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it. NIV

Eph 6:1-3 (5091 timao)

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "**Honor** your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— 3 "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." NIV

Eph 5:33

However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must **respect** her husband. NIV

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Phil 2:3 (2233 *hegeomai*)

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each **esteem** other better than themselves. KJV

Phil 2:29-30 (2192 *echo*)

Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and **honor** men like him, 30 because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me. NIV

1 Tim 5:17-20 (5092 *time*)

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of **double honor**, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. 18 For the Scripture says, "Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain," and "The worker deserves his wages." 19 Do not entertain an accusation against an elder unless it is brought by two or three witnesses. NIV

1 Thess 5:12-13 (2233 *hegeomai*)

And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; 13 And to **esteem** them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves. KJV

1 Peter 2:17 (5091 *timao*)

Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. **Honor** the emperor. ESV

1 Peter 3:7 (5092 *time*)

Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing **honor** to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered. ESV

2 Peter 1:16-19 (5092 *time*)

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For when he received **honor** and **glory** from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," 18 we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ESV