



Key Scripture:

2 Corinthians 5:18 GOD'S WORD

God has done all this. **He has restored our relationship with Him through Christ,** and has **given us this ministry of restoring relationships.**

Life is relationships...everything else is just details.

John 5:23-24 CEV

23 The **Father wants all people to honor the Son as much as they honor Him.** **When anyone refuses to honor the Son, that is the same as refusing to honor the Father who sent Him.** 24 I tell you for certain that everyone who hears My message and has faith in the One who sent Me has eternal life and will never be condemned. They have already gone from death to life.

Going from dishonor...To a life of honor

✓ **Keep a mental list of bad qualities.**

- Thoughts dwell on their flaws, weaknesses & character you don't like.
- Your negative thoughts handicap you to interact in a Christ-like manner.

What good qualities do they have that I can honor? _____

✓ **Focus on the differences.**

- You see their differences as obstacles to a healthy relationship.
- CRT, Marxism, and the devil like to divide people through differences.

What differences can I appreciate? _____

✓ **Judge (condemn) others.**

- Judgment results in defensiveness.
- It almost always closes the door to relationships.

How can I show grace and compassion? _____

✓ **Making people earn your respect.**

- You put others at the bottom before you even know them.
- Making people earn honor instead of giving it away.

What ways can I give honor to others? _____

Notes: _____

Relational Health

Secret Sauce

The Secret Sauce of Relationships...

1. Honor family.

Ephesians 6:2-3 NKJV

2 "**Honor your father and mother,**" which is the first commandment with promise:
3 "that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."

1 Peter 3:7 NKJV

Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, **giving honor to the wife,** as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

Ephesians 5:33 Message

...each **wife is to honor her husband.**

Ephesians 6:4 CEV

Parents, don't be hard on your children. Raise them properly. Teach them and instruct them about the Lord.

2. Honor all people.

1 Peter 2:17 NKJV

Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. **Honor the king.**

1 Timothy 3:13 NCV

Those **who serve well as deacons are making an honorable place for themselves,** and they will be very bold in their faith in Christ Jesus.

3. Honor God.

Malachi 1:6 NKJV

"A son honors his father, And a servant his master.
If then I am the Father, Where is My honor?

Proverbs 3:7 Message

Honor God with everything you own; **give Him the first and the best.**

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