

Connection

What is something you remember about your first job?

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Life Lesson #2: Those Who Honor God Will Be Honored By Him

1 Samuel 2:30 says " Therefore, the Lord the God of Israel, says:
I promised that your branch of the tribe of Levi would always be my priests.
But I will honor those who honor me, and I will despise those who think lightly of me."

God loves us unconditionally and gave us grace and mercy through Jesus.
Yet as we are to **honor** God, which means to **give him special recognition**,
we need to understand that God honors those who honor Him in a conditional manner.

1. What is an example in your life where you experience unconditional love, yet still have conditional honor?

Describing God

If we want to honor God we need to describe God and understand who He is.

2. Read 1 Kings 3:6-7 and 2 Chronicles 1:8. Solomon wished to honor God by describing to God who He is and telling God he recognizes it. When in your life have you felt recognized, understood and honored in a similar manner from a friend or family member? How did it make you feel?

3. Psalm 145:12-18 is an example of King David using his prayer time as a way to give God special recognition for all that He is. After reading this passage, what qualities of God come to your mind that you want to focus on, both as you pray and as you go about your life?

Desiring God

4. 2 Chronicles 1:9-10 and 1 Kings 3:8-9 show Solomon literally asking God to help him be able to lead God's people the way God wants him to.

Consider the things God has put before you to do. List them here:

Now pause and take a moment in prayer, going down the list you made and asking for God's involvement in each.

Delighting God

5. We have the ability to delight someone with a gift, words of encouragement or perhaps serving them. If we can delight others, can we delight God?

The following passages indicate that we can! What other emotions do you see God possessing in these verses?

Zephaniah 3:17

Psalm 149:4

Psalm 37:23

Commitment

Revelation 4:11 says, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they were created and have their being."

7. Ask yourself: How can I spend time in prayer and live a life that is honoring to God this week?

Challenge Assignment: Memorize the Fruit of the Spirit, Galatians 5:22:23, this week.