

Advantage of Honor

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JABEZ WAS MORE HONORABLE - (*1 Chronicles 4:9-10*)

- ◆ Honorable = upright, noble, of high regard
- ◆ God gives grace to the humble
- ◆ Honor opens doors

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RESPECT & HONOR

- ◆ Bible indicates respect and honor are different (*Romans 13:7*)
- ◆ Honor is to be given regardless of our views
- ◆ Honor comes with a promise (*Exodus 20:12*)
 - ◆ Long life in the land God has given you

LESSON FROM DAD - STEWARDSHIP

- ◆ Stewardship - caring for, managing, protecting
- ◆ Value should be given to everyone (*Romans 12:10*)
- ◆ We are managers, not owners - everything belongs to God

LESSON FROM MOM - PRAYER

- ◆ Fasting & Prayer modeled regularly
- ◆ Effects of fasting: (*Isaiah 58:6*)
 - ◆ Loosen the bonds of wickedness
 - ◆ Let the oppressed go free
 - ◆ Break every yoke

LESSON FROM PASTOR - GOD'S WORD 1ST

- ◆ Seek 1st God's Kingdom
 - ◆ Led by Holy Spirit - not trends
- ◆ Sowing and Reaping (Galatians 6:7-9)
- ◆ Trust in the Lord with all your heart
- ◆ "This is what God's servants can expect. I'll work out everything for the best." (*Isaiah 54:17 MSG*)

SERMON SCRIPTURES:

1 Chronicles 4:9-10 (ESV)

Jabez was more honorable than his brothers; and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain." **10** Jabez called upon the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!" And God granted what he asked.

Romans 13:7 (ESV)

Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

Exodus 20:12 (ESV)

Honor your father and mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

Romans 12:10 (ESV)

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

Galatians 6:7-9 (NIV)

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. **8** Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. **9** Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Isaiah 54:17 (MSG)

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