



COMMUNITY THAT HONOURS
CREATED FOR COMMUNITY SERIES

Sermon Notes

Text: Romans 12:10

Introduction

Romans 12:1-16

honouring someone is to recognize or give someone value

Honour others because we are commanded to

“There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal...” - C.S. Lewis

Exodus 20:12; 1 Peter 3:7; Romans 13; 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Honouring others brings blessing - contempt blocks blessing

Psalms 8:3-5

Mark 6:1-6

1 John 4:8

Honour brings out the best, but contempt brings out the worst

Death and life are in the power of the tongue - speak life!

Honouring others takes humility

Luke 14:7-11

“You should love one another as if you had been born of the same mother. If we always observed this injunction we would maintain love and patience. For if we considered ourselves less than everyone else we would neither insult anyone gratuitously nor be deeply hurt if someone insulted us.” - Pelagius

Conclusion:

We need to be known by our love

Life Group Discussion

Warm up:

1. What are your plans for Thanksgiving?

Study & Discussion:

1. What resonated with you from the sermon? What challenged or surprised you? What questions do you have?
2. Read Romans 12. What stands out most to you when you read this chapter? How does honouring one another show love? Is showing honour to others something that comes naturally to you?
3. Read Exodus 20:12; 1 Peter 3:7; Romans 13; 1 Thessalonians 5:11. What do these verses say about honour? Can you think of any other verses that speak about the importance of honouring one another?
4. Share an experience where someone has spoken life to you and how that has impacted you personally. Without gossiping or becoming negative share a time where you have been discouraged by someone speaking death. Read James 3:3-12. How do we get better at learning to control our tongues?
5. Can you think of some ways to apply this message to your daily life? Discuss the suggested applications that follow and maybe add some of your own ideas as a group. Challenge one another to apply it and follow-up with each other on what you notice in trying it out for a week.

Practicing the Way of Jesus: Community that Honours

1. speaks words of value over people - be specific
2. write a letter - maybe saying in person is too hard or they live far away
3. give a gift of appreciation
4. make eye contact with someone and listen - your unhurried presence
5. give way to another's preference - let your wife pick where to go for dinner

Prayer: