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TOPIC: GOD'S HONOUR.

MEMORY VERSE: Romans 12:10 - "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honour giving preference to one another."

TEXT: 1 SAMUEL 2 :30

(A)INTRODUCTION:

God wants a world where respect and honour of others is the way of life of its citizens. Showing honour, means treating another respectfully because we value them highly. Honouring from a pure motive is possible only when we have a proper perspective of who God is, what we are, and who others are in relation to us and God. It begins with deep honour and respect for God.

When we obey God's command to honour all people, we are following our heavenly King and honouring Him and He will also honour us!

(B)PRINCIPLES OF HONOUR.

Principles of honour according to the Word of God includes:

- (1) Sometimes those who deserve honour are overlooked by those closest to them (John 4:44). Therefore, those closest to a person may be the last to give them the honour they are due. Honour is something that often becomes clearer at a distance; but honour the closest person to you!
- (2) God has the right to honour whoever He chooses without regard to man's understanding (Romans 9:21). We honour men for their achievements but God looks on the heart.
- (3) Man is commanded to give honour to whom honour is due (Romans 13:7). You want to be honoured by God, then honouring those God tells us to honour is not optional, but a serious matter to God.
- (4) God sometimes chooses to honour those who appear to be less honourable in order to demonstrate His grace (I Corinthians 12:23,24) .
- (5) Servants were to honour their masters, as we are to honour those under whose authority we are placed (I Timothy 6:1). Authority was to be a system whereby God demonstrated how to honour an office rather than a person.

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(6) In God's eyes, holy lives equal honourable lives (2 Tim. 2:20 -21) That's what His heart looks for; that's what His Word honours.

(7) Jesus is worthy of much more honour than we are (Hebrews 3:3). We cannot grasp the honour due His name, nor must we ever be tempted to share it with Him.

(8) When we serve Jesus, the Father promises to honour us (John 12:26). It is a divine law. Honour bestowed; honour returned.

(9) Those ministered to, should give double honour to those who ministered (1 Tim.5:17-18). Those fed or healed or helped honour those whom God used in their lives.

(C) CONCLUSION:

Jesus appears to us today through the members of His church. He lives in us, so the way we interact with one another is the way we are interacting with Christ Himself, and with our heavenly Father. When we honour the Word of God regarding honouring our family members, men of God, widows and one another; it's then God Himself will honour us.

PRAYER POINTS:

- (1) O Lord my Father, let my life and all about me continue to honour You all the days of my life, in Jesus name.
- (2) My Father (x3), let me be a vessel of honour unto You, in Jesus name.
- (3) O Lord my Father, honour me in the presence of all my detractors, in Jesus name.

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