

# CULTURE OF HONOUR

Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honour;

(Romans 12:10)

Honour all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honour the king.

(1 Peter 2:17)

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# KEEPING IN THE SPIRIT

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- ✘ Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;
- ✘ (Ephesians 4:1-4)

# ANOINTING FROM UNITY IN THE SPIRIT

- ✘ So then we pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.
- ✘ (Romans 14:19)

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brothers to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil upon the head, Coming down upon the beard, Even Aaron's beard, Coming down upon the edge of his robes.

- ✘ (Psalms 133:1-2)

# IN IT TOGETHER

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- ✘ For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith. For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.
- ✘ (Romans 12:3-5)

# WE NEED EACH OTHER

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- ✘ but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.
- ✘ (Ephesians 4:15-16)

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- ✘ But now there are many members, but one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; or again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, it is much truer that the members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary; and those members of the body which we deem less honourable, on these we bestow more abundant honour, and our less presentable members become much more presentable,
  - ✘ (1 Corinthians 12:20-23)

# LEARNING WHERE HONOUR IS DUE

- ✘ Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him? But you have dishonoured the poor man. Is it not the rich who oppress you and personally drag you into court?
- ✘ (James 2:5-6)

✘ And He called a child to Himself and set him before them, and said, "Truly I say to you, unless you are converted and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. "Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. "And whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me; but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. "Woe to the world because of its stumbling blocks! For it is inevitable that stumbling blocks come; but woe to that man through whom the stumbling block comes! ..... "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven continually see the face of My Father who is in heaven.

✘ (Matthew 18:2-10)



# THE FRUIT OF GODLY HONOUR

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- ✘ "He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. "And whoever in the name of a disciple gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink, truly I say to you, he shall not lose his reward."
- ✘ (Matthew 10:41-42)
- ✘ "The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.'
- ✘ (Matthew 25:40)