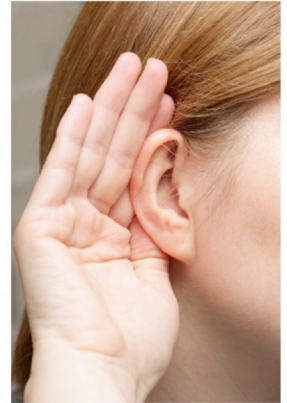


HOW DO WE GIVE OR SHOW HONOR? WHAT ARE SOME MARKS OF RESPECT?

1. As Christians, we have two separate responsibilities. First, we must feel honor & respect. Isaiah 29:13. Second, we must show or give honor & respect. "Give honor" (Malachi 2:2); "show ... honor (1 Peter 3:7); "marks of respect" (Acts 28:10A).
2. Our responsibility to do the second does not depend on our feeling the first. We must show or give honor & respect even if we don't feel honor & respect. 1 Peter 2:18. But, as more feeling will lead to more showing or giving, so more showing or giving will lead to more feeling.
3. The Tom Brady analogy. You would acknowledge his presence and value, listen, speak reverently, obey, give your best, sacrifice, provide, and honor & respect those he honors & respects.
4. We give or show honor & respect to beings, roles, and things ...



A. **By acknowledging their presence as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.** Leviticus 19:32;

1 Kings 2:19; Isaiah 53:3; Matthew 23:7; Acts 25:13. 1 Peter 3:7. "Attentiveness is sadly lacking in most men, and especially in American men.



When they come home from work, they take their wives for granted. They are part of the scenery, like the furniture, the walls, the draperies. They are background. The man sinks into the sofa and reads the paper or watches TV. The woman feels no more significant to him than the kitchen sink. If she talks to him, he mutters a few words and continues to read the newspaper or goes to the basement or the garage to work on his hobby. His wife begins to think, "He doesn't even know I am alive" (Andelin).

B. **By acknowledging their value, worth, or importance as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.**

- 1) By praise and thanksgiving. Psalm 50:23A; 135:20B-21; 2 Peter 1:17.
- 2) By giving tokens of our esteem. Numbers 22:16-18; 1 Samuel 10:25-27; Esther 6:7-9; Daniel 11:38.

C. **By listening to them as we would to someone we deeply honor & respect.** Job 32:4, 6-7, 11-12A; Proverbs 23:22; Malachi 2:2.

- 1) Complete the following: I should listen to _____ like I would if _____ were talking to me about _____.
- 2) People know when we aren't respectfully listening. Psalms 22:6-8. "Separate with the lip" is "shoot out the lip" in the KJV; "make mouths at me" in the ESV. See also Isaiah 37:22.

D. **By speaking to & about them as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.** 1 Peter 3:1-6.

- 1) Examples of dishonor and disrespect. 2 Chronicles 36:15-16; Titus 2:9 "not argumentative" is "not answering back" in the NKJV; etc.
- 2) Should we say, "Yes/No sir/mam?" If so, why? Saying such things communicates honor & respect; helps us feel honor & respect and further show the same.
- 3) What are terms of endearment? Acts 20:24; 1 Corinthians 3:12. Should we use them? If so, why?
- 4) Can we say the right words and still be disrespectful? If so, how? Psalm 22:6-8; Proverbs 18:3; 1 Timothy 5:1-2; 1 Peter 3:15.

E. **By heeding or obeying them as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.** Leviticus 10:1-3; Esther 1:16-20; Zephaniah 3:7; Haggai 1:12; Romans 2:23; Ephesians 6:1-2; Hebrews 11:7; 1 Peter 3:1-2. Can we do the right things and still be disrespectful? If so, how?

F. **By giving them our best.** Malachi 1:6-14; 1 Timothy 6:1 w/Colossians 3:23.

G. **By putting their interests before own as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.** Isaiah 58:13; Exodus 8:9; 1 Samuel 2:8.

H. **By providing for them as we would someone we deeply honor & respect.** Proverbs 3:9; Matthew 15:4-6A; Acts 28:10; 1 Timothy 5:3-4, 8, 16; 17-18.

I. **By showing or giving honor & respect to those they honor & respect.** Proverbs 14:31; 2 Samuel 10:1-3.

5. **In which of these ways should we give or show honor?** 1 Timothy 6:1.

CONCLUSION: Jesus analogy. Matthew 25:40, 45-46.