

**Sermon:** Honor One Another.  
**Series:** *One Another*.

**Scripture:** Romans 12:9-13.  
**Date:** July 31, 2022

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**OBSERVATION** -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

**INTERPRETATION** -- Answer these questions together:

**1. What does this passage teach us about us?**

- a) Besides from Jesus and the cross, where do you go to find honor (value) in life (career, beauty, family, education, etc)?
- b) Genuine love and honor will “hate evil and cling to the good.” It discerns the good and evil in others. Are you in relationships where this is happening? Explain.

**2. What does this passage teach us about God?**

- a) Do you feel as though God has honored you? Why or why not? Think about how Romans 12 begins – “by the mercies of God.” How has God honored you by his mercies?

**3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?**

- a) How does knowing that we have been honored by God in Christ allow us to honor others, even those who don’t deserve it?
- b) When Paul tells us to show “brotherly affection” to one another he is making up a new compound word that combines friendship love (*phileo*) with family love (*storge*). The gospel makes us friends and family. How does understanding this make it easier to honor one another? Do you honor other Christians as family?

**APPLICATION**

- a) How is honor different from flattery, self-abasement, or simple tolerance? What are some ways that we can honor others and create a culture of honor in our church? How might we honor one another in this small group?
- b) Honor is high respect or great esteem for someone. Is there someone specific that you can show honor to this week?

**FIGHTER VERSES: 1 John 4:7-12.**

**PRAYER**

- Thank God for the honor he has bestowed on you by the power of the cross.
- Confess ways that you have failed to honor others.
- Thank Jesus for taking your shame on the cross and exchanging it for his honor.
- Ask God to fill you with brotherly affection for others as you seek to out-do others in showing honor .