

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you are leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out the questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

- What does honor mean to you?

**With your Bible or YouVersion, read Mark 6:1-4.**

When Jesus returned to his hometown to teach and perform miracles, the people treated Him with dishonor. Their dishonor was a result of their lack of faith.

- Who have you honored? Why have you honored this person?
- How have you seen honor build someone up?
- Describe a time when you were honored by someone else. How has receiving honor changed you?
- What is the difference between respect and honor? How have you seen this difference firsthand?

**Read Exodus 20:12, Romans 13:7, 1 Timothy 5:17 and Romans 12:10.**

According to these verses, we should honor our parents, those in authority, pastors and other church leaders.

- How have you shown honor to your parents? When has it been difficult to honor your parents?
- Why is important to honor people in authority even when we do not completely agree with them?
- How is God asking you to honor your pastors and church leaders?

**Read Psalm 22:23.**

This verse emphasizes the importance of honoring God.

- How do you honor God? How can you honor Him more?
- Who do you need to honor more in your thoughts, attitude, words and actions? How will you show honor to them this week?

## NEXT STEPS

Try taking these next steps this week to give the virtue of honor a place of honor in your life:

Once you have identified someone who you need to honor more, take action! Do something specific to show honor to that person. Take time to express to them why you honor them. Feel free to be creative!

God should be the first and most important recipient of our honor. No matter how much we honor God, we can always honor Him more! This week, do something to show honor to God. This might include spending more time in prayer and in His Word, giving to someone in need, volunteering at our church, or telling someone about who God is and what He's done for you!

### Talk It Over with God:

- Take time to honor God in prayer. Praise Him and tell Him how much He means to you.
- Pray for your parents or other family members. Ask God to bless them and to meet their needs.
- Pray for leaders and those in authority. Ask God to give them wisdom and discernment as they lead.
- Pray for your church leaders and pastors. Ask God to give them strength as they lead others to become fully devoted followers of Christ.
- Ask God to increase your desire and ability to show honor to others and build them up instead of tearing them down.