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DUE RESPECT

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



Romans 12:10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.

We demand it and fight for it. We will even insist that we will not respect those who do

not respect us! We argue that our respect must be earned. It is okay to pursue respect, but God reveals a better way. What if we reversed the cycle? What if instead of demanding to receive respect, we give respect? What if we decided, as the verse above admonishes us, to never be outdone in showing respect? We will go first. We won't wait to be shown respect. This sounds like a risky approach, but think of the immediate difference it could make in many of our current relationships! For one, it would change our attitudes and actions towards others.

"But why should I be the one to change?" you make ask. Because of your relationship with Jesus. Since you are surrendered to Him, and becoming more like Him (Romans 12:1-2), you realize that your dignity and worth are rooted in your relationship to Him. This frees you up to

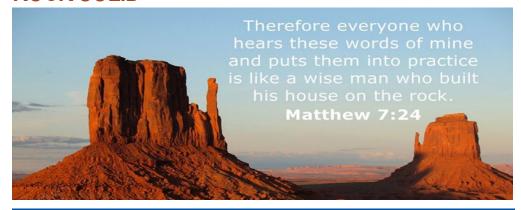
live in the light of that truth. We don't have to demand that people earn our respect, but out of brotherly love (made possible through the working of the Holy Spirit in us) we will treat imperfect people respectfully. We know God is at work in them and us and so we can focus on fulfilling our responsibilities and leave God to fulfil His.

How about it? Will you ask God to help you love people with true brotherly love? And out of that love, to treat them with genuine respect as image-bearers of our Almighty Creator? Start with your Christian family and then let it spread.

God bless you,

Pastor James

ROCK SOLID



WHAT'S HAPPENING

CORPORATE PRAYER TUE @ 7 PM

Oct 12

Join us via Zoom video

Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

Oct 14 & Oct 15

in-person at church.

to you.

GROWTH GROUPS THU & FRI @ 7 PM

Plan to attend one convenient

EVENING SERVICE 1st & 3rd SUN @ 6 PM

Oct 17

join us in-person at church.

WORSHIP SERVICE SUN @ 11 AM

Oct 17

In-person service & livestream.

Livestreaming only on Face-book and our church's website.

YOUTH GROUP KI FRI @ 6:45 PM SUN

Oct 15

Youth meetings are in-person at church.

for ages 13 & older

KIDZONE SUN @ 11 AM

Oct 17

Kidzone is available every Sunday during the morning service. for ages 4 – 12 yrs. old.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ➤ Growth Groups continue Thursday and Friday at 7 pm at the church. Sign up at the Information Center or online to attend a group convenient to you. Discussion questions are available at the Information Center or online at our website.
- Please sign up to supply gifts for the annual Garden at Stroud Nursing Home Christmas Gift Drive. Contact Tom Watson for details.
- We'll be cleaning up a section of Route 209 on Saturday Oct. 16th. Contact Tom for details.
- ➤ The next Ladies Meeting is on Saturday Oct 23rd @ 10:30 am at church. Becky Fara and Sherril Thorne are hosting.
- ➤ There will be no CBI classes this fall as announced because there were not enough requests to participate in either course. If you know anyone who may be interested for early 2022, please contact Pastor Jimmie Van Sant.
- Want to discover God's will for your life? Join us at church for our in-person Evening Service the 1st and 3rd Sunday @ 6 pm.
- ➤ Bible reading plans for 2021 are available at the Information Table and on our website. Pick up a copy or download one today. Also, please read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings.

QUICK TIPS

Two ways to give your offering. Traditional with a check by mail or through our secured website online giving is now possible. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!