

Honor (NIV) in Proverbs

1. **Honor** the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;
Proverbs 3:9
2. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and **honor**.
Proverbs 3:16
3. The wise inherit **honor**, but fools he holds up to shame. Proverbs 3:35
4. Esteem her, and she will exalt you; embrace her, and she will **honor** you. Proverbs 4:8
5. With me are riches and **honor**, enduring wealth and prosperity.
Proverbs 8:18
6. He who ignores discipline comes to poverty and shame, but whoever heeds correction is **honored**. Proverbs 13:18
7. He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy **honors** God. Proverbs 14:31
8. The fear of the LORD teaches a man wisdom, and humility comes before **honor**. Proverbs 15:33
9. Before his downfall a man's heart is proud, but humility comes before **honor**. Proverbs 18:12

10. It is to a man's **honor** to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel.
Proverbs 20:3

11. He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and
honor. Proverbs 21:21

12. Humility and the fear of the LORD bring wealth and **honor** and life.
Proverbs 22:4

13. It is not good to eat too much honey, nor is it **honorable** to seek one's
own **honor**. Proverbs 25:27

14. Like snow in summer or rain in harvest, **honor** is not fitting for a fool.
Proverbs 26:1

15. Like tying a stone in a sling is the giving of **honor** to a fool. Proverbs
26:8

16. He who tends a fig tree will eat its fruit, and he who looks after his
master will be **honored**. Proverbs 27:18

17. A man's pride brings him low, but a man of lowly spirit gains **honor**.
Proverbs 29:23

I. Wisdom Brings Honor

- a. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor.
Proverbs 3:16
- b. The wise inherit honor, but fools he holds up to shame.
Proverbs 3:35
- c. Esteem her, and she will exalt you; embrace her, and she will honor you. Proverbs 4:8
- d. With me are riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity.
Proverbs 8:18

II. What is "honor?"

- a. To hold in respect; esteem
- b. To show respect for
- c. To confer distinction upon

III. How to Obtain Honor (It is wisdom to ...)

- a. Fear God
 - i. The fear of the LORD teaches a man wisdom, and humility comes before honor. Proverbs 15:33
 - ii. Humility and the fear of the LORD bring wealth and honor and life. Proverbs 22:4
- b. Be Humble
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 - ii. Before his downfall a man's heart is proud, but humility comes before honor. Proverbs 18:12
 - iii. A man's pride brings him low, but a man of lowly spirit gains honor. Proverbs 29:23
- c. Avoid Strife
 - i. It is to a man's honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel. Proverbs 20:3
- d. Accept Correction

- i. He who ignores discipline comes to poverty and shame, but whoever heeds correction is honored. Proverbs 13:18
- e. Pursue Righteousness
 - i. He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor. Proverbs 21:21
- f. Pursue Love
 - i. He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor. Proverbs 21:21
- g. Be a Good Number Two
 - i. He who tends a fig tree will eat its fruit, and he who looks after his master will be honored. Proverbs 27:18

IV. How to lose honor

- a. Don't Fear God
- b. Don't Be Humble
- c. Don't Avoid Strife
- d. Don't Accept Correction
- e. Don't Pursue Righteousness
- f. Don't Pursue Love
- g. Don't Be a Good Number Two
- h. Seek Your Own Honor
 - i. It is not good to eat too much honey, nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor. Proverbs 25:27
 - ii. How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that *comes* from the only God? (John 5:44 NKJV)
 - 1. NIV – "praise"
 - 2. NASB, ESV – "glory"

V. How to honor God

- a. Give from your wealth
 - i. Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; Proverbs 3:9

- ii. Wealth = Firstfruits
 - b. Give to the Poor
 - i. He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God. Proverbs 14:31
 - 1. He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward him for what he has done. Proverbs 19:17 NIV
 - 2. He who has pity on the poor lends to the LORD, And He will pay back what he has given. Proverbs 19:17 NKJV
 - 3. Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19:17 ESV
 - ii. The First Battle of Bull Run (or The First Battle of Manassas if you are a Southerner)
- VI. Dishonor God by:
- a. Withholding Wealth = Withholding Firstfruits
 - b. Ignoring the poor
- VII. Honor Going to Wrong Person
- a. Honor Fools
 - i. Like snow in summer or rain in harvest, honor is not fitting for a fool. Proverbs 26:1
 - ii. Like tying a stone in a sling is the giving of honor to a fool. Proverbs 26:8
 - b. Honor Self
 - i. It is not good to eat too much honey, nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor. Proverbs 25:27
 - ii. How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that *comes* from the only God? (John 5:44 NKJV)
 - c. Faith is Affected and is Lacking