

# honor

Respecting those in leadership because of the higher authorities they represent

## Honor is holding others in high regard and treating them with respect.

Remember the "golden rule"? Treat others as you yourself wish to be treated. We should make the effort to be respectful of all people that we interact with. Showing our esteem for others and giving of our respect is one of the most important traits to we can develop in our lives.

The character quality of honor has to do with the worth that you give to people. Respectfulness of people focuses on honoring the worth and dignity of all individuals. Honor is

showing a person respect, regardless of how they are different from us.

Respect is a critical element in all healthy relationships. Respect for others should be woven in to the fabric of everyone's life and characterize all of their relationships.

Honor and respect are fundamental character qualities that prepare each of us to live productive lives as we relate to and work with others.

*"A good man ever respects authority."  
(Sophocles)*

*"No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave."  
(Calvin Coolidge)*

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### vs. disrespect

A person of honor deals with other people on the basis of an allegiance to moral principle. Align yourself with high moral standards and communicate respect to each person you meet.

Honor is:

- Being attentive to those who lead you
- Showing loyalty to your authorities
- Speaking only the truth
- Obedying cheerfully
- Giving place to those who are older or hold positions of prominence

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*Respect and Honor. Two very important qualities that each of us can work on developing further. In today's society we sometimes forget the importance of showing respect and honoring others.*

*It is particularly rewarding to observe youth honoring their parents, teachers and peers with respect.*

*Showing respect for others is one of those traits that will help you succeed in all of your ventures, whether at home, at work, in school, or in the community.*

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*Respect is letting another person know that you value them regardless of your differences.*

*Incorporating the character qualities of Attentiveness, Punctuality, Responsibility, Dependability, Flexibility, Gratefulness, Sincerity and Tolerance, into your character development will help you to demonstrate respect and honor when interacting with others.*

Dawn Wright

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