
Introduction:

Quotes from Famous People on Family

- Mother Teresa: "What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family."
- Maya Angelou: "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."
- Desmond Tutu: "You don't choose your family. They are God's gift to you, as you are to them."

Point #1: The Spiritual Perspective On Respecting and Honoring Others

* Def. - Honor - to recognize and express the significance of another through valuing them, respecting them, appreciating them, esteeming them, celebrating them from a heart anchored in a reverence toward God!

A. The Dynamics of The Respect Element in Family

"He who receives and welcomes and accepts you receives and welcomes and accepts Me, and he who receives and welcomes and accepts Me receives and welcomes and accepts Him Who sent Me." Matthew 10:40 AMPC

"The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught." Isaiah 29:13 NIV

B. The Designated Relationships to Embrace in Family

"Love one another with brotherly affection [as members of one family], giving precedence and showing honor to one another." Romans 12:10 AMPC

E. The Discipline to Respect and Honor on Purpose

"And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.". 2 Peter 1:5-8 KJV

"The steps of a [good] man are directed and established by the Lord when He delights in his way [and He busies Himself with his every step]. Though he falls, he shall not be utterly cast down, for the Lord grasps his hand in support and upholds him.". Psalm 37:23-24 AMPC

Concluding: Father In Heaven Thank You For Your Commitment to Honor those who honor You directly or indirectly by respectfully honoring others. I thank You for the precious Holy Spirit who will bring to my remembrance to respectfully honor those to whom honor is due! In doing so I receive honor from You of favor and blessing. Thank You Father that through the fruits of the Spirit I am well equipped to honor, to appreciate and celebrate all who are in my family especially those who mean so much to me! I am strengthened through the Holy Spirit to execute this principle of righteousness to the glory of God! What I make happen for others God will make happen for me! In Jesus Name!