



## Honor

### WEEK 1 DISCUSSION GUIDE

#### OVERVIEW

In the first message of the new series entitled, *Fight For*, we will learn how to fight for honor in our relationships.

#### DISCUSSION

While many believe great relationships happen naturally, the truth is that great relationships are unnatural. The secret weapon to great relationships is honor.

**Mark 6:1-5: Jesus left that part of the country and returned with his disciples to Nazareth, his hometown. The next Sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed. They asked, “Where did he get all this wisdom and the power to perform such miracles?...They were deeply offended and refused to believe in him. Then Jesus told them, “A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family.” And because of their unbelief, he could not do any miracles among them.**

Let's look at the definitions of honor and dishonor:

Honor (*tîme*): To place high value; highly esteem, treat as precious and weighty

Dishonor (*atîmos*): To treat as common or ordinary

We see in these verses that Jesus was dishonored in His own hometown, among His relatives, and His own family. We learn here that dishonor disrupts the divine.

- Why do you think dishonor is much more likely to occur around those we are most familiar?

## How to fight with honor:

### 1. **CHOOSE** Honor

**1 Timothy 1:17: *Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever, Amen.***

**1 Samuel 2:30: *“...Those who honor me I will honor...”***

**Hebrews 13:4 : *Honor your marriage and its vows...***

**Ephesians 6:1-2: *Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother.***

- Give an example of how we can choose honor in our relationships.
- Why is it important that we continue to show honor in our relationships even when we are dishonored?

### 2. **SPEAK** Honor

**Proverbs 18:21: *Words kill, words give life; they're either poison or fruit—you choose.***

**Romans 12:10: *Love one another deeply. Outdo one another in showing honor.***

- Why do our word choices matter?
- How can we better honor others with our speech?

## LIFE CHALLENGE

Daily speak these declarations over your life:

- Jesus, You are first in my life. I exist to serve and glorify You. You are FOR me, and You want me to flourish. I am disciplined, and I order my life to grow closer to You.
- I love my husband/wife. I will show honor by the way I look at and talk to him/her, and talk to others about him/her. (I will make him/her glad he/she married me.)
- I will lead and love my kids with intentionality. I will find ways to connect with them and give them courage to do more for God's kingdom than they ever thought possible.

## PRAYER REQUESTS & CLOSE IN PRAYER