

HOPE

IN ALL SEASONS

Honor in Relationships: 1 Peter 3:1-7

Message Reflection Guide

For millennia it was the leper who was the most potent symbol of condemnation and exclusion. The “immoral” person has had an equally long run in history. One of the major lessons of the Gospels is how Jesus was with such people, accepting them, touching them, and eating with them. He did this in a very natural way. *It was for them*, not for show or to make a point. Dallas Willard – *The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering our hidden life in God*.

CONVERSATION STARTER

Share a relationship in which you recall being honored.

GETTING INTO THE SCRIPTURES Read 1 Peter 3:1-7

Brandon said, "For the sake of the gospel, show honor in relationships." What are the types of people that are often hard to show honor towards?

Show honor in relationships with unbelievers. What unbelievers in your life could you show honor to, and how have you done this recently, or how do you plan to do it in the near future?

Show honor in relationships with family. How have you witnessed two Christian brothers and/or sisters showing each other honor in a way that would make unbelievers wonder?

Show honor in relationships with those who serve. Who serves you on a regular basis? (wait staff, hair stylist, contractor, postal worker, etc) How can you show them honor in the next week?

MAKING IT REAL

Challenge for relationships with unbelievers: Create a BLESS (Begin with prayer. Listen to their story. Eat with them. Serve them. Share your story) List. Who can you put on your BLESS List?

Challenge for relationships with Christian brothers/sisters: Ask the Holy Spirit how you can honor your brothers and sisters in a way that magnifies the gospel for the world to see.