

# Character Trait for September 27 - October 3 is Honor

## Ephesians 5:1, "Therefore, be imitators of God"

**CHARACTER:** qualities built into our lives that determine our responses, regardless of circumstances.

**Honor:** Respecting others because of their worth as human beings, and their worth to God.

**Weekly Verse:** Genesis 1:27, "So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."

**Bible Story:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 discusses how we should honor each other as believers, even when we are all different and have differing gifts and abilities. We are to honor each other because, as Genesis says, we are all created in the image of God.

**Quote:** "I would prefer to fail with honor than win by cheating."

**Leadership:** As a leader, what are ways that you can honor those you work with, and those who work for you? How can you honor others on your athletic team, or other school activity that you are engaged in?

**Living in Community:** In order to demonstrate honor to others, this month Santiam Christian will be focusing on saying "please" and "thank you".

### Application:

The Bible commands us to honor our parents. Sometimes this can be difficult, but here are some steps that can help:

- Patiently listen to them, even if you disagree
- Freely forgive them for any harm (or perceived harm) from your childhood
- Regularly seek them out to ask how they are doing
- Generously assist them, even if they don't ask for help
- Seek their wisdom when you are trying to solve a problem
- Speak well of them in public
- Pray for them regularly

### Discussion Questions:

- 1) Why do you believe it can be difficult to honor others? What is the main reason you don't?
- 2) Why is it sometimes difficult to honor our parents?
- 3) How can honoring others help you become a better person?