

## HONORING THE FATHER

12/23/23

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
  - Comment – As you probably realize, I often use this Saturday Bible study time to choose a subject related to the material that I covered on the Wednesday-night Bible study – and that is what I am going to do today
  - Comment – Since I was on a church visit last Saturday, today’s topic will relate to the last two Wednesday-night Bible studies
  - Reminder – the subject for the Wednesday-night Bible study is a 5-part series about 2 Corinthians 11:20
  - Title – “Honoring the Father”
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- Reminder of the 5 topics of 2 Corinthians 11:20

2 Cor. 11:20

5 topics

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| bondage       | freedom                |
| devouring     | maturity & edification |
| taking        | giving                 |
| exalting over | serving                |
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- Reminder of a topic – that I have covered many times in our 30 years
- Why do you obey the Father?

1. To be blessed now  
Psalm 119:1-2 blessed are those who obey the Father
2. To be blessed at the resurrection  
Luke 14:12-14 shall be blessed (they cannot repay you) – repaid in the resurrection of the just
3. To willingly honor the Father – now
  - Matt. 4:1-11 the devil sought to manipulate the Son of God
  - 2 Cor. 9:7 do not give grudgingly or of necessity – for God loves a cheerful giver
  - 1 Peter 5:2-3 shepherds of the flock
    - not by compulsion – but willingly
    - not for dishonest gain – but eagerly
    - not lording it over people – being an example
  - 4 when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away