

- ①⑦ These two attributes together give us the principle that all truth is absolute. $V + I = A$: Veracity plus Immutability equals Absolutes.
- ①⑧ When the believer in Jesus Christ learns the absolute principles of the immutable Scriptures and remains loyal to those standards under pressure he becomes a person of honor.
- ①⑨ Maximum knowledge of absolute principles in the soul of a believer in spiritual adulthood produces an inventory of ideas which is classified as Christian Integrity. ②⑩ Integrity in action is called probity, or honor. ②⑪ Integrity is loyalty to truth. ②⑫ When this integrity is manifest through application of truth to experience it becomes a virtue called honor.

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III. ★ Principles of Integrity and Honor:

- 1- Loyalty to the absolute standards of Biblical truth in interpersonal relationships becomes the sine qua non of the royal family honor code. *TRUTH (BDAIS) = CHAR INT, LOYALTY TO TRUTH = HONOR*
- 2- The royal family honor code is a set of standards derived from Scripture by which the believer demonstrates Christian integrity in his relationships with others.
- 3- The honor code is executed within the environment of spiritual self-esteem with emphasis on the problem-solving device of unconditional love. *PK → @, SSE, UK → MK*
- 4- The objective of spiritual growth in the Plan of God is to develop a thought pattern which complements our spiritual aristocracy.
- 5- That thought pattern is reflected in the execution of the royal family honor code in interpersonal relationships. $\frac{RA}{SPG}$
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- 6- The honor code develops right thinking. Right thinking produces right motivation. Right motivation produces right action. *Rom 12:21*
- 7- The enemy of the honor code is emotional sins, especially the sins of the tongue, such as gossip, maligning, judging, slandering and vilification.
- 8- These are the verbal explosions which result from soul implosion. *☺ ↗ ↘ ☹*

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- 9- One is enabled to reject such cosmic problem solving when he incorporates honor code principles into his soul from the Divine Academy.
- 10- Our passage points out this fact; Ephesians 4:
 v 25 = Therefore, having laid aside the lie (while simultaneously putting on the truth) each one of you speak truth with his fellow believer, since we are members of one another.
- 11- The lie thus becomes anything which is in violation of the honor code:
- 1- Violation of the Laws of Divine Establishment.
 - 2- Concepts and ideas which threaten the stability of the four Divine Institutions.
 - 3- Communication of false gospels.
 - 4- Rejection of Biblical mandates.
- 12- "Laying aside the lie" is the recovery process which occurs through the inculcation of Bible doctrine.
- 13- Bible doctrine is the expression of absolute truth from God to man.
- 14- Absolute truth demands honor, which is the reflected virtue of Christian Integrity.
- 15- Absolute truth has no beginning and no ending and thus embodies the unchanging standards of a perfect and righteous God.
- 16- Consequently, violations of the honor code indicate a rejection of absolute truth.
- 17- To the degree absolute truth is rejected there is a corresponding loss of integrity and where there is no integrity there can be no honor.
- 18- British Cavalier poet Richard Loveless expressed the essence of honor in his poem, "To Lucasta, Going to the Wars", written in 1649

Tell me not, sweet, I am unkind,
 That from the nunnery
 Of thy chaste breast and quiet mind
 To war and arms I fly.

True, a new mistress now I chase,
The first foe in the field;
And with a stronger faith embrace
A sword, a horse, a shield.

Yet this inconstancy is such
As thou too shalt adore;
I could not love thee, dear, so much,
Loved I not honor more. /★

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IV. Application of the Honor Code Demands Spiritual Self-esteem:

- 1- Development of an honor code in the soul results in a system of integrity based on Bible doctrine.
- 2- It is designed to enable the believer to relate to other believers from a position of personal integrity.
- 3- Integrity in the sense we use the word refers to one's unbending loyalty to the absolute principles of the Word of God.
- 4- One must be convinced that these principles are unchanging and unalterable and represent the expression of divine truth.
- 5- Armed with this knowledge, the Christian individual is able to relate with other believers in a poised and confident manner.
- 6- Assurance that your thoughts, decisions and actions are guided and directed by the thinking of God produces an environment of spiritual self-esteem.
- 7- Spiritual self-esteem thus becomes the basis of resolving problems which emerge from interpersonal relationships.
- 8- The objective of the plan of God is to make you independent of all problems which occur in life through a total dependence on God.
- 9- In order to consistently depend upon God one must be totally convinced that God loves him.
- 10- This confidence is acquired by the systematic inculcation of Bible doctrine which reveals the plan of God to the soul of the individual.

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