



Lesson Fourteen RESPECTFUL IN A CULTURE OF AGGRESSIVE ARROGANCE

1. Aggressive Arrogance - a sign of the times

2. God wants us to be *DIFFERENT*

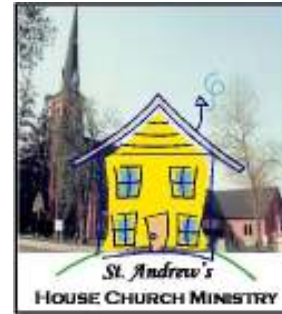
3. The starting point for teaching respect
(see Deuteronomy 5:1-22, especially verse 16)
 - a) Honouring God

 - b) Honouring Parents

3. A different measure of character and respect
(see Matthew 5:1-16, especially vs. 5 / 11-12)

4. The winsome witness (see 1 Peter 3:15)

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.



FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

- For further personal reflection
 - To share with family or a friend
- (House Church is currently taking a break until the launch of Dr. McQuaig's new series, "*A HOPE FOR ALL PEOPLE*" beginning on Sunday, February 5th.)

Warm up: What are some examples of a growing lack of respect in our culture around us that you have experienced or heard about?

1. Why do you think a belief in God is fundamental to the teaching of respect?
2. Discuss the implications of each of the first four commandments in Deuteronomy 5 in regards to respect towards God, our world, and each other.
3. Why do you think honouring one's parents is an essential element in showing respect to our elders? to people in authority? to others?
4. Discuss the meaning of meekness. What are the risks involved in living "meekly"?
5. What should a follower of Jesus seek as the most important goal when conflict arises?
6. In sharing the message of Good News with others, how are we to demonstrate "gentleness and respect"?