

I. Introduction

Big Idea: Treating our pastors with love and respect will not only honor God, but it will help our pastors find joy and fulfillment in their ministry roles.

II. The Prescription (I Thess. 5:12,13)

"Respect"

- A. Work Hard (Laboring) (vs12) 2 Cor. 11:28
- B. Directing "leading" (vs12)
- C. Admonish (vs12) James 3:1

"Acknowledge" - Hebrews 13:17

- D. Hold him in the highest regard in love (vs13) Romans 14:19 – Peace
- III. Practical Thoughts
- 1. Major on the majors
- 2. Time
- 3. Expectations
- 4. Avoid comparisons
- 5. The weekly sermon
- 6. The fix-it syndrome
- 7. Your Pastors are human
- 8. Communication failures
- 9. Pastor-only care
- 10. Discouragement
- 11. Be loving and pray for your pastor
- 12. The Pastor's wife
- 13. Critical members



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