ROMANS 12-13

LOVE RULES
Let’s Be Peacemakers
A Culture of CONTEMPT
“America was founded on the slogan: *e pluribus unum*, ‘out of many one’, but that fragile union seems to be collapsing before our eyes... [and replaced with] another Latin phrase: *ex uno plures*, ‘out of one, many.’”

-Jon Tyson
Romans 12:10

HONOR one another above yourselves.
What if we replaced a culture of contempt with a CULTURE OF HONOR in our sphere of influence?
Romans 12:14-21
3 Vital Practices to Replace Contempt Culture with HONOR CULTURE
Practice #1 Dignify NOT Demonize

Romans 12:10,16b

10 Honor one another above yourselves.
16b Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.
Beautiful Resistance
The Joy of Conviction in a Culture of Compromise

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How does Dignity Defeat Contempt?

-Dignity Teaches us Humility.
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V.16 Do not be proud...Do not be conceited.
Dignity teaches us to EMPATHIZE.

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Practice #2 Pursue Peace NOT Avoidance

16 Live in harmony with one another. 18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.
Practice #3 Give Grace DON’T Take Vengeance

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. 19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.
Anthony Thompson
HONOR CULTURE

Practice #1
Dignify NOT Demonize

Practice #2
Pursue Peace NOT Avoidance

Practice #3
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“Darkness cannot drive out darkness only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate only love can do that.”

-Martin Luther King Jr.
What can you start or stop doing to cultivate a CULTURE OF HONOR?
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