

THEM THAT HONOR ME
Serve God With All Your Heart

- I. **They dishonored The Lord by taking theirs first and taking the best; To them they are more important than God and they honor themselves above Him-1Sm2:12-KJ-The sons of Eli were sons of Belial; **THEY KNEW NOT THE LORD (NIRV-Honor)**. ¹³ And the priest's custom with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand; ¹⁴ And he struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither. ¹⁵ Also **BEFORE THEY BURNT THE FAT**, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw. ¹⁶ And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat presently, and **THEN** take as much as thy soul desires; then he would answer him, Nay; but thou shalt give it me now: and if not, I will take it by force.**
- A. Our lives are an offering and with our lives God gets our best-Rm12:1-MS-Take your everyday ordinary life..and place it before God as an offering; Lv3:16-ALL THE FAT is the Lord's;
- II. **We are to give God our best, demonstrating that He/His things are important to us-1Co15:58-My beloved brethren be ye steadfast unmovable always abounding (superabound in quality) in the work of the Lord; AM-Always excelling in the work of the Lord [always doing your best and doing more than is needed]; Co3:23-Whastoever you do, do it heartily as to the Lord and not unto men; MS-Don't just do the minimum that will get you buy. Do your best..The sullen servant who does shoddy work will be held responsible**
- A. When you honor something, when something is important to you give it your best-Ma1:11-ER-People all around the world respect my name. All around the world they bring good gifts to Me and burn good incense as a gift to Me, because My Name is important to all of them
- B. To give God your best is the idea of serving Him with all your heart-You serve God with all your heart, you do what He's told you to do with all your heart, when it comes to His things you approach them with all your heart-1Sm12:20,24, Js22:5-Serve the Lord with all your heart (desire, emotion, passion, resolution, determination); Dt26:15-This day the Lord thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart; Dt10:12-Israel what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart; 2Ch31:20-In every work that Hezekiah began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did it with all his heart and prospered
1. Halfhearted-Without effort, interest, energy, enthusiasm-Rv3:15-I know your works that you are neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm (NOT zealous, fierce, passionate, engaged; Indifferent) and neither cold nor hot, I will spue you out of my mouth
 2. What you do for God put your whole heart into it-You work hard, you're committed, you sacrifice, you show up early, stay late-Co3:23-JB-Whatever you do, put your whole heart and soul into it, as into work done for God; 1Co15:58-ER-Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord; MS-Throw yourselves into; NABRE-Fully devoted
 - a. Are you giving it your very best?-EX: Miracle Movie
- C. You give your best because you want to NOT because you have to-2Co9:7-Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver [whose heart is in his giving]; Ep6:6-TL-Work hard and with gladness all the time as though working for Christ, doing the will of God with all your hearts; 2Co8:3-AC-As I can bear witness [they gave] according to their ability, yes, and beyond their ability; and [they did it] voluntarily ⁴Begging us most insistently for the favor and the fellowship of contributing in this ministration for [the relief and support of] the saints [in Jerusalem].⁵[entirely disregarding their personal interests]
1. Do what you can?-No do your best; They did more than what they could-2Cor8:3