## FAMILY PORTRAITS! DOUG REED // MAY 28, 2017

Honor The Way They Live! Titus 2:2-7 NLT

'Be an example,' 'live wisely' and 'live in a way that honors God!'

These words call up older men and women and frankly, all of us, to be an example; to by the way we live Jesus, live in a way that honors God! Are we?

Biblical principles to honor those older and how they live Jesus:

WAITING to speak! Job 32:4 NIV Ecclesiastes 5:2 NIV

SUBMITTING to their authority! 1 Peter 5:5 NIV Micah 6:8 NIV

So, those of us 'older and wiser;' are we, by the way we live; giving others something worth honoring, respecting, following and submitting to? If not, what needs to change?

RISING in their presence! Leviticus 19:32 NLT

Respectfully TREATING them as Fathers and Mothers! 1 Timothy 5:1-2 NLT

REPAYING them! 1 Timothy 5:4 NIV

#### TEACHING them to be godly examples! Titus 2:7a NIV MEMORY VERSE

'Be an example,' 'live wisely' and 'live in a way that honors God!'

"It's not what you know or who you know but who you are that matters most." – Cotton Jones

Are we, in the way we live, living Jesus in a manner worthy of honor? If not, what needs to change?

Let's show others by our example, by 'The Way WE Live'; how to successfully live out our faith in life!

'So What?' Challenge: Reflect–Respond–Reach Out–Retell! 2 Timothy 4:7-8 NIV

That's our eternal reward for 'being an example,' 'living wisely' and 'living in a way that honors God!' Are we?

"I serve a mighty God. He's in control. I'm not talented enough to do any of this. But God enables me." – Lois Prater; Age 87

# THE 'SO WHAT' CHALLENGE

#### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

"In everything set them an example by doing what is good." Titus 2:7a  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NIV}}$ 

#### REFLECT

Questions to reflect on in your personal quiet time, with the family and/ or in your Life Group.

1) What one point personally stood out from the message and why?

2) Read Titus 2:1-7. What key life principles are being communicated and why?

3) Those of us 'older and wiser;' are we, by the way we live; giving others something worth honoring, respecting, following and submitting to? If not, what needs to change?

4) Of the six points as to how we honor those older, which one stood out? What's the intent behind them?

5) Read 2 Timothy 4:7-8. What's our eternal reward for being an example and living to honor God?

#### RESPOND

What personal response and/or possible life change do you have to what you have heard?

#### **REACH OUT**

In regards to what has been revealed to you, what intentional action can you take this week to impact someone else for Christ?

### RETELL

Share how God has worked in you and through you with someone else – in personal conversation, in your Life Group or at c3ocala.com/retell.