

# “Expanding the Kingdom Reach”

The Principles of Honour

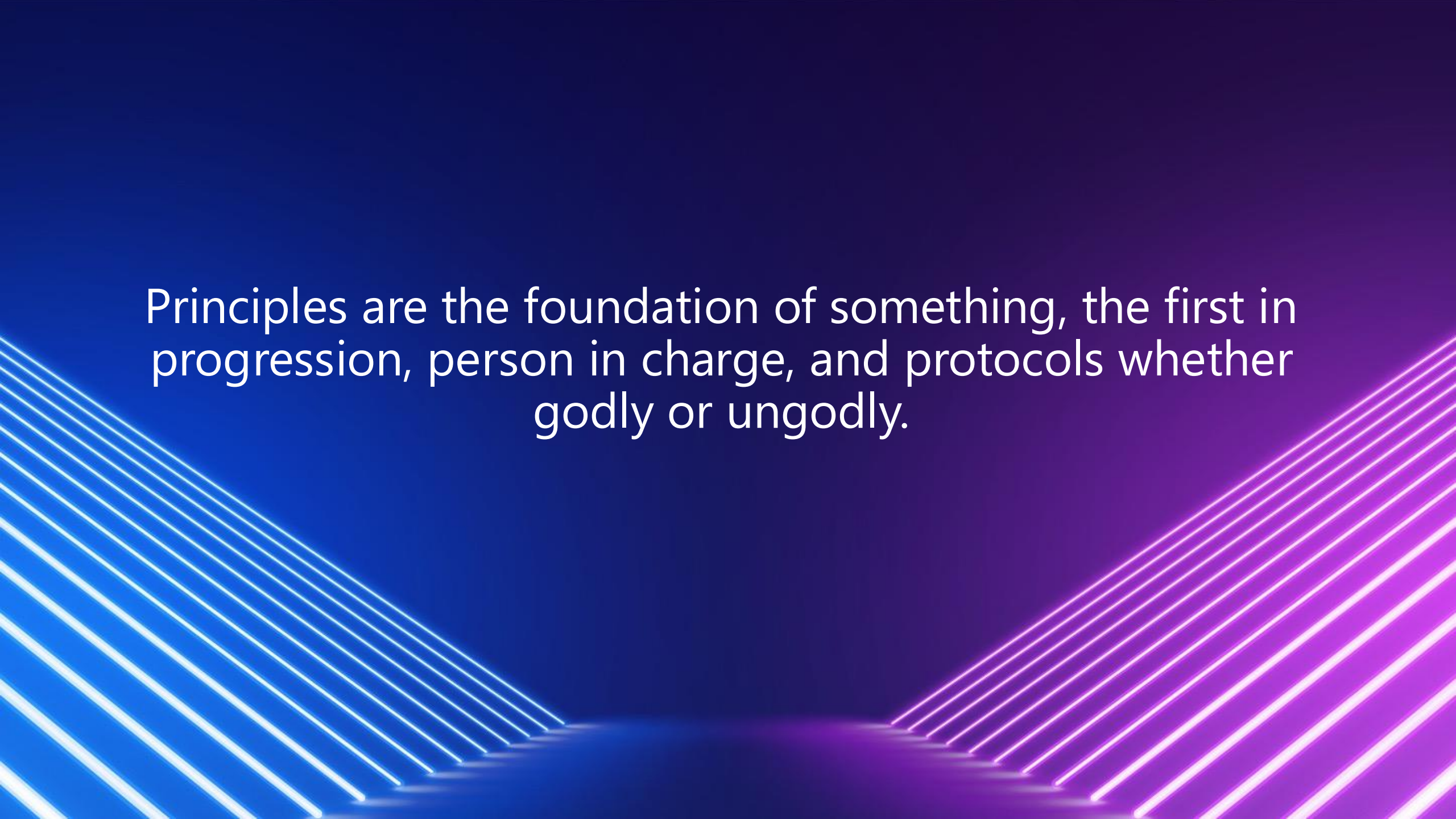
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# Introduction

1. What principles do you live by?
2. Why do you live by them?
3. Where do they come from?
4. How do they align with the word of God?

# Principle Defined

- The beginning (foundation) or the origin of something
- The primary (first) thing that commences a thing in a series, the leader
- The place (domain), rule, magistracy of angels or demons

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Principles are the foundation of something, the first in progression, person in charge, and protocols whether godly or ungodly.

# The Principle of Honour

1. God loved us first and then asked us to love Him and our Neighbors
2. God gave us His only son and then asks us to give our all for Him
3. God forgave us and then asked us to forgive others



God is a God of Honour and as His creation and children,  
He expects us to exemplify honour to Him and in all our  
human relationships.

# Six Principles of Honour

1. Heart
2. Obedience
3. Nobility
4. Outstanding
5. Unity
6. Reverence

# Principle 1: Heart

- Our hearts or soul used interchangeably is the centre of spiritual activity
- Our hearts are the centre of all human activity
- Our hearts are the seat of our conscience, ethics and principles
- Our hearts are what God looks at when assessing our level of honour



## Text: 1 Samuel 16:7 (NKJV)

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For *the LORD does not see as man sees*; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

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Honour comes from our heart being prepared, purged  
and purified by God, and meticulously kept by us.

## Principle 2: Obedience

- Obedience is an act of faith
- Obedience reflects our commitment to God and His word
- Obedience is not just following rules, it is an expression of love, trust and reverence
- Obedience leads to blessings and life, disobedience leads to judgement and death

## Text: John 14:23 (NKJV)

Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

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We honour God by our obedience to align our lives with His will and demonstrate this in our lifestyle towards others on earth.

## Principle 3: Nobility

- Nobility is tied to social rank
- Nobility is about character
- Nobility is moral integrity
- Nobility has virtue or valour such as diligence, wisdom and fear of the Lord

## Text: Matthew 20:25-26 (NKJV)

But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant.

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Nobility is more than power and privilege, it is about spiritual integrity, and our character in serving God and others.



## Principle 4: Outstanding

- Daniel as a slave distinguished himself through his commitment to God and excellence
- Joseph though sold out by his brothers rose to prominence in Egypt
- Deborah stands out for her leadership and courage in victory over the Canaanite army
- Being outstanding is exemplified by our qualities and our deeds.

## Text: Daniel 6:3 (NKJV)

Then this Daniel distinguished himself above the governors and satraps, because an excellent spirit *was* in him; and the king gave thought to setting him over the whole realm.

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Outstanding with a spirit of excellence through our  
qualities and deeds, shows honour to God and Others.

## Principle 5: Unity

- Unity is being united in faith
- Unity is being united in purpose
- Unity is being united in love
- Unity is an image of the divine nature of God and our witness on earth of His love and truth.

## Text: Psalms 133:1-3 (NKJV)

Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity! *It is* like the precious oil upon the head, Running down on the beard, The beard of Aaron, Running down on the edge of his garments. *It is* like the dew of Hermon, Descending upon the mountains of Zion; For there the Lord commanded the blessing— Life forevermore.

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Unity is a divine kingdom mandate and a reflection of God's character, it is essential to the health of the church and requires intentional effort for the success of all relationships.


## Principle 6: Reverence

- Reverence is a deep sense of honour for God
- Reverence is our passion for worship to God
- Reverence is our obedience and fear of the Lord
- Reverence is an inward attitude of the heart that acknowledges His supreme authority and holiness.

## Text: Hebrews 12:28 (NKJV)

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God *is* a consuming fire.



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Reverence for God leads to a lifestyle that honours Him, in all aspects, and will influence how we interact with others, make decisions and conduct ourselves in the world.



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