

Double Honor

Wisdom for a Young Head Coach

Week 11

I Timothy 5:17-21

Discussion Questions:

- What makes our senior staff members who display excellence worthy of double honor? (v.17) *They're worthy when they lead well and work hard.*
- Who do you know who is worthy of such honor? *Who on your staff is like this?* What distinguishes his/her work? *Tell us a story or give an example.*
- How should we properly compensate our staff members who work hard at teaching and training? (v.18) *Is money the only way to compensate?* How can we “pay” them in ways that are better than money? *Public recognition, attaboys with the team and staff, thank you gifts, encouraging notes, “good job” meetings...*
- On what basis should one hear a complaint regarding a member of your staff? (vv.19-20) *Only on the basis of two or three witnesses. Not because of a rumor or gossip.*
- If a staff member has committed a gross error, what is a proper forum for his/her correction? (v.20) *Within the staff or possibly with the whole team. Not in public or the press.*
- Why would Paul warn so strongly against partiality and favoritism in keeping his instructions? (v.21) *Partiality and favoritism are contrary to God's righteousness and justice. They pervert the principles that are foundational to our values.*

Weekly Summary:

- Look for ways to “pay” your staff that go beyond money.
- Be careful to only hear complaints about your staffers that come with proper facts and credibility.
- Correct and restore those in error with wisdom and without favoritism.

Notes:

- Read the bible verse a loud at the beginning.
- The questions for discussion will appear in normal text like this.
- *Suggested answers, discussion hints and follow up questions will appear in italics like this.*

Bible Reference:

1 Timothy 5



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