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- Are there exceptions to this? Is this a zero-sum equation? Clearly, we must "honor the king" (1 Pet. 2:17) and give "fear to whom fear is due" (Rom. 13:7). We must give special preference to our brethren (Rom. 12:10). We also respect and honor our spouses and family members (Eph. 5:33, 6:1-2). So what does it look like to fear, exalt, or trust in man in a way that is inappropriate?

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- Romans 1:21-25
- Remember not to give yourself (or your enemies or the people you idolize) too much credit.
- Isaiah 51:12-13
- Psalm 27:1
- Hebrews 13:6 & Matthew 10:28



DON'T BE GULLIBLE ABOUT DANGEROUS CHARACTERS



• Proverbs 29:25, 24:1-2, 10:27



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- Some people are exactly who they appear to be (1 Timothy 5:24), such as Abimelech in Judges 9. The people of Shechem gave him honor he didn't deserve and paid for it.

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