

## ***Weightier Matters: Humility***

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(Micah 6:8)

### **I. Definitions**

To be low, or made low, in degree, in estate

### **II. God is humble and loves humility**

A. God's condescension — Psalm 113:5-6 / Phil. 2:5-11

B. God's grace toward the humble and resistance of the proud—Ps. 138:6 / James 4:6 / Isa. 57:15

### **III. Human pride**

A. Self-superiority, entitlement, boastfulness

B. Obnoxious to God and man — Prov. 6:16f / Psalm 101:5

C. Embarrassing — Mark 9:33-34 / Prov. 11:2; 16:18; 29:23 / Haman (Esther ch.6)

D. The root of all contentions — Prov. 13:10 / 3 John 9-10

### **IV. Becoming humble**

A. Humbling oneself Vs. being humbled — Luke 14:7-11; 18:10-14

B. Self-abasing — Luke 14:7-11 / Exodus 3:11-12

C. Compared to whom? — 2 Corinthians 10:12

D. If you are *all that*, where did you get all that? — 1 Corinthians 4:7

E. What do you deserve? — Rom. 6:23

### **V. Prayer as an act of humility**

A. Admission of neediness

B. Posture — Psalm 95:6 / Matt. 20:20

C. "Your servant" — Gen. 18:3 / Neh. 1:6, 10-11 / Acts 4:29

D. Submission to the will of God — Matt. 26:39

### **VI. Repentance as an act of humility**

A. The Prodigal's attitude — Luke 15:18-19

B. The publican and the Pharisee — Luke 18:13

C. Ahab's "humility" — 1 Kings 21:27-29

### **VII. A teachable spirit**

Prov. 30:2-3 / Luke 10:21 / James 3:17

### **VIII. A servant's attitude**

John 13:3-5 / Phil. 2:5-7 / Luke 17:10

### **IX. Submission and deference to others**

1 Peter 5:5-6 / Rom. 12:10 / Phil. 2:3-4

Meekness—Matt. 5:5, 39-42