

Meekness and Humility

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Meek: quiet, gentle, and easily imposed on; submissive, very similar in nature to patient, long-suffering

Humility: a modest or low view of one's own importance; humbleness. Similar in nature to modesty

Humble: having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's own important. Similar in nature to meek or deferential

God's people should be meek, humble, gentle, lowliness rather than being prideful, arrogance, self-esteem, self-exaltation, haughtiness, and self-will.

- **Galatians 22-24**
- **2Chronicles 7:14**

Today we will look at two very important qualities that are greatly emphasized in the bible, meekness, and Humility toward God. In the Bible, meekness is primarily emphasized as submissiveness toward God (rather than toward men). In the bible humility is when a believer takes a modest or low view of one's own importance. As directed toward God, meekness, and humility requires believers to recognize our sinfulness, and our dependence on a sovereign God. In the bible there are many examples of men who trusted in themselves rather than in God. They trusted in their own righteousness, they actually prayed to themselves, thanking God that they were better than other people. We must realize that humility is the opposite of self-exaltation and self-righteousness.

- **Luke 18:9-14**

As believers we must understand that we are all sinners, who have been forgiven of our sins, and as a result we have been saved by the grace of God. However, our new standing does not give us the right to look down on anyone, as if we deserve the gift of eternal life from God more than others. Truth be told, because we have all sinned, then we all deserve death! We certainly can be more righteous than some people, but only by humbling ourselves, before God, and by seeking His forgiveness for our sins.

- **1John 1:8-10**

The reason so many people live a life that is proudful, arrogant, and self-willed, is because they have not yet come to the realization that we do not exist or live by bread alone, but by the word of God. Many people still do not accept the fact that our physical, and mental blessings come from God, rather than by their own power, and might. We must come to a place in our life and walk with God, where we realize just how insufficient and weak, we are without Him, and His willingness to meet all our needs. As a result, we should turn to God, and appreciate who He is, and what He does for humanity every second of every day, which should motivate all of us to exalt His Holy Name.

- **Deuteronomy 8:2-3**
- **Deuteronomy 8:11-14**
- **Deuteronomy 8:16-18**
- **Matthew 18:1-4**

As stated earlier, there are many acts of meekness, and humility by men in the bible, however the two greatest of them all were Moses, and Jesus Christ.

- **Numbers 12:3** Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.
- **Matthew 11:29-30** Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your soul.