

Humility

(What characteristic is God looking for in a Man of God?)

Luke 2:4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) ⁵To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. ⁶And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. ⁷And she brought forth her firstborn son, and **wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger**; because there was no room for them in the inn. ⁸And there were in the same country **shepherds abiding in the field**, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. ¹⁰And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. ¹²**And this shall be a sign unto you**; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, **lying in a manger**. ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, ¹⁴Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

G4683 sparganoō (a *strip*; from a derivative of the base of **G4682** meaning to *strap* or *wrap* with strips); to *swathe* - wrap in swaddling clothes.

Mark 9:33 And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, what was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way? ³⁴But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, **who should be the greatest**. ³⁵And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, if any man desire to be first, *the same* shall be last of all, and servant of all. ³⁶And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them, ³⁷Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receives me: and whosoever shall receive me, receives not me, but him that sent me.

Matt 5:3 Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. ⁵**Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth**. ⁶Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. ⁷Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. ⁸Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God. ⁹Blessed *are* the **peacemakers**: for they shall be called the children of God. ¹⁰Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. ¹²Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Mark:27-36 ²⁷And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, **who do men say that I am?** ²⁸And they answered, John the Baptist: but some say, Elias; and others, One of the prophets. ²⁹And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answers and saith unto him, **Thou art the Christ**. ³⁰And he charged them that they should **tell no man** of him. ³¹And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. ³³But when he had turned about and looked

on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savors not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men. ³⁴And when he had called the people *unto him* with his disciples also, he said unto them, **Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself**, and take up his cross, and follow me. ³⁵For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but **whosoever shall lose his life** for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. ³⁶For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

Mark 10:17-37 ¹⁷And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? ¹⁸And Jesus said unto him, Why calls thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God. ¹⁹Thou knows the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honor thy father and mother. ²⁰And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth. ²¹Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, **sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.** ²²And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions. ²³And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! ²⁴And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answered again, and saith unto them, Children, **how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!** ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. ²⁶And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved? ²⁷And Jesus looking upon them saith, **With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.** ²⁸Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. ²⁹And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, ³⁰But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. ³¹**But many that are first shall be last; and the last first.**

³²And they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him, ³³*Saying*, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall **condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:** ³⁴**And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him:** and the third day he shall rise again. ³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou should do for us whatsoever we shall desire. ³⁶And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you? ³⁷They said unto him, **Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.** ³⁸But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? ³⁹And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: ⁴⁰But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared. ⁴¹And when the ten heard *it*, they began to be much displeased with James and John. ⁴²But Jesus called them *to him*, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise

authority upon them. ⁴³But so shall it not be among you: **but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:** ⁴⁴**And whosoever of you will be the chief, shall be servant of all.** ⁴⁵**For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.**

Matt 18:4 At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, **Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?** ²**And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,** ³And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whosoever therefore shall **humble himself as this little child**, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receives me. ⁶But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

G5013 - ταπεινῶ - to *depress*; figuratively to *humiliate* (in condition or heart):—abase, bring low, humble (self).

Matt 19:30 But many *that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.*

Matt 20:1-16 For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* a householder, which went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard. ²And when he had agreed with the laborers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. ⁵Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, why stand ye here all the day idle? ⁷They say unto him, because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, *that* shall ye receive. ⁸So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the laborers, and give them *their* hire, beginning from the last unto the first. ⁹And when they came that *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. ¹⁰But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. ¹¹And when they had received *it*, they murmured against the good man of the house, ¹²Saying, these last have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. ¹³But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? ¹⁴Take *that* thine *is*, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee. ¹⁵Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? ¹⁶**So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.**

Matt 23:10-14 Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ. ¹¹But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. ¹²And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that **shall humble himself shall be exalted.** ¹³But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in. ¹⁴Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

Luke 14:8-11 And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them, ⁸When thou art bidden of any *man* to a wedding, **sit not down in the highest room**; lest a more honorable man than thou be bidden of him; ⁹And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. ¹⁰But when thou art bidden, **go and sit down in the lowest room**; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. ¹¹**For whosoever exalts himself shall be abased; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted.**

Luke 18:14 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: ¹⁰Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. ¹¹The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, **God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.** ¹²I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. ¹³And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: for every one that exalts himself shall be abased; **and he that humbles himself shall be exalted.**

Luke 22:21-32 But, behold, the hand of him that betrays me *is* with me on the table. ²²And truly the Son of man goes, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed! ²³And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. ²⁴And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. ²⁵And he said unto them, the kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. ²⁶But ye *shall* not be so: **but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.** ²⁷For whether *is* greater, he that sits at meat, or he that serves? *Is* not he that sits at meat? But I am among you as he that serves. ²⁸Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. ²⁹And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; ³⁰That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ³¹And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat: ³²But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

James 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resists the proud, **but giveth grace unto the humble.**

Verse 10 - Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

1 Peter 5:5-6 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all *of you* be subject one to another, and be clothed with **humility**: for God resists the proud, and giveth grace to the **humble**. ⁶**Humble** yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: ⁷Casting all your care upon him; for he cares for you.

Philippians 2:1-11 If *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, ²Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same **love**, *being* of one accord, of one mind. ³*Let* nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in **lowliness of mind** let each **esteem other better**

than themselves. ⁴Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. ⁵Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: ⁷But made himself of **no reputation**, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: ⁸And being found in fashion as a man, he **humbled** himself, and became **obedient** unto death, even the death of the cross. ⁹Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: ¹⁰That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth; ¹¹And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

2 Tim 2:21-26 ²¹If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work. ²²Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strife. ²⁴**And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,** ²⁵**In meekness** instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; ²⁶And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

HUMBLE:

H- HONEST

U- UNASSUMING

M- MEEK, MODEST

B- BRAVE

L- LOVING

E- ENCOURAGING

SERVANT:

S- SUBSERVIENT

E- ENCOURAGING

R- RESPECTFUL

V- VALUING

A- ABLE

N- NOT PRIDEFUL

T- TENACIOUS