

How Grace Teaches Humility (Part 2)

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Scriptures:

- 1 Peter 5:5-7
- 1 Peter 5:5-7, *NLT*
- 1 Corinthians 15:9, 10, *NLT*
- Ephesians 3:6, 8, 9, *NLT*
- Psalm 8:3-6
- Philippians 2:5-8, *NLT*
- John 13:1-5, *NLT*
- John 13:1-3
- Luke 10:19

Summary:

God's grace is the most effective teacher we could ever have. In a world that exalts self-effort, grace teaches us how to be humble so that God can exalt us. His favor teaches us not to shy away from the painful things that happen, because going through these experiences matures us. Genuinely trusting and depending on God the way we should eventually shows in our speech and in everything we do. The deep-seated desire we all have to feel important can lead to exalting ourselves; humility teaches us to get out of the center and put God there, instead. Paul received God's mercy and forgiveness despite his past; the same grace has been extended to us. Knowing that we hold the same power and authority as Jesus Christ enables us to embrace the same humble attitude that He had.

Notes:

1. Humility leads to being honored and lifted up at the right season. "In due time" may not necessarily be the time we think; it must be on God's schedule.
2. Going down the path of humility involves going through some difficult times. This grows and matures us as Christians.
3. The test of humility is trusting God to handle our worries and cares, and giving them all to Him; He does not want us to struggle with them. We must also trust Him to lift us up in *His* time, not in ours.
4. Considering God's grace is humbling, in the same way we can be humbled by looking at the power, breadth, and depth of His creation. It gives us an intense sense of our own limitations. David felt this same sense of awe.
5. Just like Jesus, we came from God, and we will be going back to Him. The knowledge of this enables us to humble ourselves.

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