

# Biblical Answers Week 15

## Humility

1 Peter 5:5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Col 3:12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. NIV

- Sometimes pride can be misunderstood for a complete \_\_\_\_\_ in God and the calling He has placed on our lives.
- Humility is an issue of a man's \_\_\_\_\_, not just his outward appearance.
- Outward appearance can be very \_\_\_\_\_ because many can come across humble, when inwardly they are full of themselves and selfish pride.

### Humility Defined

- Oxford Dictionary says "having a low estimate of one's \_\_\_\_\_, worthiness or merits."
- The "on-the-street" definition: It's a person who does not think of himself as very important. He is very submissive and does not \_\_\_\_\_ for himself and is easily pushed around.
- The world sees humility as a form of \_\_\_\_\_, but God says it's a form of \_\_\_\_\_ strength.

### Two definitions of humility

1. When something is made low or someone proud is \_\_\_\_\_ humbled.
2. The Bible defines it as a godly \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - It refers to knowledge and recognition that we are lower than God, and humility is the state of \_\_\_\_\_ submission to God's will.
  - So then, godly humility is the opposite of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The prideful man thinks himself more \_\_\_\_\_ or important than he really is.
  - The humble man \_\_\_\_\_ has a low estimate of his importance or thinks of himself as insignificant. Why?

So then, how do we measure humility?

- Humility is always measured in terms of \_\_\_\_\_, and submission to the will of God.
- It must be measured by our \_\_\_\_\_ and ability to trust the word of God.
- The truest measure of humility then, has to be by man's \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
- Jesus teaches us true humility as an \_\_\_\_\_ strength and confidence in God alone.
- A humble man recognizes and \_\_\_\_\_ the work of God, and the assignments of God, and lives by faith to accomplish what God has called him to.

Is pride always wrong?

- Pride can be used to keep us from sin and bolsters and protects our \_\_\_\_\_ reputation.
- Pride is wrong when it \_\_\_\_\_ itself as humility.
- False humility is a \_\_\_\_\_ estimation of oneself and what God says about us. That man does not submit to God and many times \_\_\_\_\_ himself from others.

Why is humility so hard to accomplish?

1. We always think we are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The flesh and sin nature are always prodding us to be \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ and ignore Godly \_\_\_\_\_, or to disobey God's commands.
3. Being humble takes \_\_\_\_\_ and we are too tired to be humble.
4. It's hard to be humble because \_\_\_\_\_ makes sure we pay for it.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ is much easier than humility.

Humility in a nutshell:

1. It begins with a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
2. It gives up a sense of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. It follows truth instead of feeding the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. It is dependent on the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
5. It causes us to remember just how \_\_\_\_\_ we are.
6. It makes us eager to listen to Godly \_\_\_\_\_.