



BIBLICAL BEHAVIOR
GROWING IN HUMILITY
JAMES 4:7-12

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1. See _____ (vv. 7-10)

1. Humility is _____ (v. 7a)

2. Humility is _____ (v. 7b)

3. Humility is _____ (v. 8a)

4. Humility is _____ (v. 8b)

5. Humility is _____ (v. 8c)

6. Humility is _____ (v. 9a)

7. Humility is _____ (v. 9b)

8. Humility is _____ (v. 9c)

9. Humility is _____ (v. 9d)

10. Humility is _____ (v. 10)

James 4:7-12 (ESV)

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

11 Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 12 There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

2. View _____ (vv. 11-12)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Our working definition for humility is, "A correct view of your own importance." Which of the ten descriptions of humility do you need to grow in the most? How will you pursue that growth?
2. **Read Matthew 4:7-11.** It's clear that God has given us the Bible to fight off temptation. Why is it so hard sometimes for us to rely on the power of the Word more than human wisdom and solutions? Where have you seen this struggle in your own life?
3. Why is humility an essential attribute of the Christian life? How can you grow in humility towards others in the church?
4. **Read Mark 14:72.** Why is it so important to have a biblical view of and response to sin? How regularly do you confess your sin to God or fellow believers? Why or why not?
5. **Read Luke 6:25.** Are there any areas of life where you are seeking temporal comforts or pleasures too much? How can you grow in delayed gratification, seeking the pleasures of the next life more than this one? Why does focusing too much on this life show a lack of humility?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.

Peterson, Robert L.. *Agape Leadership: Lessons in Spiritual Leadership From the Life of R.C. Chapman.* Lewis & Roth, 1995.
 Keller, Timothy. *The Freedom of Self Forgetfulness.* 10Publishing, 2012.
 Tozer, A.W.. *The Pursuit of God.* Aneko, 2015.
 Tozer, A.W.. *The Knowledge of the Holy.* HarperCollins, 1961.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that our church would live by godly wisdom and not human wisdom.
 Pray that our church will grow in humility before God and one another.
 Pray for the Awana program as it starts back up on August 26th.
 Pray for the upcoming Men's event on August 28th and that the men will be prepared for Christ's return.
 Pray for our upcoming baptism service; that God will be glorified through the testimonies of those taking this step of obedience!
 Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	O.T.	Psalms	N.T.	Gospels
8/23	Job 8-11	Psalms 101	Luke 13:10-21	2 Thessalonians 1
8/24	Job 12-15	Psalms 102:1-11	Luke 13:22-35	2 Thessalonians 2
8/25	Job 16-20	Psalms 102:12-17	Luke 14:1-11	2 Thessalonians 3
8/26	Job 21-24	Psalms 102:18-28	Luke 14:12-24	1 Timothy 1
8/27	Job 25-30	Psalms 103:1-5	Luke 14:25-35	1 Timothy 2
8/28	Job 31-33	Psalms 103:6-14	Luke 15:1-10	1 Timothy 3