

5 Day Devotional

This five day devotional will be taking a deeper dive into the sermon from this weekend. Over the next few days, we will explore the theme of humility, understanding how it shapes our daily walk as Christians and how we can embody this essential characteristic in our lives.

Day 1

Scripture: Philippians 2:3

Humility is foundational to our Christian faith. It's a quality that reflects the character of Christ, who humbled Himself even to the point of death on the cross. Today, let's consider what it means to truly clothe ourselves in humility. Each morning, we make conscious choices about how we will present ourselves to the world. But how often do we take the time to align our hearts with the humility that Christ exemplifies? The way we treat others and the attitude we carry says a lot about the condition of our heart. Walking in humility means recognizing our own limitations and the greatness of God's grace.



Humility asks that we not think of ourselves more highly than we ought, but rather, we put others before ourselves. It is freedom from pride and arrogance, a modest estimate of our own worth. This doesn't mean we should think less of ourselves, but think of ourselves less, making room for God's greatness in our lives. As we go about our day, let's remember to wear humility as an essential garment of our Christian walk.

- How do you usually prepare your heart each morning?
- In what ways have you seen pride impact your relationships?
- What are practical steps you can take to clothe yourself in humility?
- Pray for God to reveal areas in your life where pride might be hiding.
- Ask for the strength to genuinely put others before yourself.

Day 2

Scripture: Colossians 3:12

In today's scripture, we're reminded to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. When we think about the qualities that should define us as Christians, humility often underpins every other virtue. Putting on humility can feel unnatural in a world that rewards self-promotion and pride, but as believers, we are called to a higher standard. Humility is not just an inward attitude but an outward expression of God's love and grace.

Consider the people you interact with daily. Do they see Christ in you through your humble actions and words? True humility is reflected in our willingness to serve others without seeking recognition. It involves considering others' needs above our own and recognizing that every good thing we have is a gift from God. This doesn't mean thinking less of our abilities but acknowledging God as the source of our gifts and using them to serve His kingdom.

- Reflect on a time when you found it hard to be humble. What was the situation, and how did you handle it?
- How can you practice humility in your daily interactions with family, friends, and coworkers?
- What can you do to remind yourself daily of your dependence on God?
- Pray for a heart that seeks to serve others selflessly.
- Ask God to help you see His hand in all your talents and successes.

Day 3

Scripture: James 4:10

James 4:10 calls us to humble ourselves before the Lord, and He will lift us up. This promise underscores the importance of humility in our walk with God. It's a conscious act of lowering ourselves, admitting our need for Him, and relying on His strength rather than our own. The



world's view of success often contradicts this, teaching us to seek self-exaltation. But as followers of Christ, our lives should reflect His teachings and not the world's values.

Humbling ourselves before God is acknowledging that without Him, we can do nothing of eternal value. It's understanding that our worth and significance come from who we are in Christ, not what we achieve. When we voluntarily lower ourselves and depend on God, we open the door for His blessings and liftings. Let's take a moment today to humble ourselves before the Lord, acknowledging His Lordship over every area of our lives.

- What areas of your life are hardest to surrender to God?
- How has God lifted you up in the past when you humbled yourself before Him?
- What can you do to practice humility every day?
- Pray for the courage to surrender every aspect of your life to God.
- Ask God to help you find your worth and identity in Him, not in worldly achievements.

Day 4

Scripture: Micah 6:8

Micah 6:8 is a powerful reminder of what God requires of us: to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Walking humbly with God means living a life that reflects His nature. It's being mindful of our actions, our words, and how they align with God's standards. Humility is not thinking less of ourselves but recognizing our place before an Almighty God and living in that truth daily.

In today's fast-paced world, it's easy to get caught up in our own lives and forget the needs of those around us. Humility brings us back to the heart of God, reminding us to serve others and put their needs before our own. By walking humbly with God, we become vessels of His love and grace, demonstrating to the world what it truly means to be a follower of Christ.

- How can you act justly in your current circumstances?
- In what ways can you show mercy to those around you?
- What are practical steps you can take to walk humbly with God?
- Pray for a clear understanding of what it means to act justly and love mercy in your daily life.
- Ask God to guide your steps and help you walk humbly before Him.

Day 5

Scripture: 1 Peter 5:6

1 Peter 5:6 instructs us to humble ourselves under God's mighty hand, that He may lift us up in due time. This scripture is a call to trust in God's timing and His ways. Humility is trusting God completely, even when we don't understand His plan. It's about releasing control and allowing



God to work in and through us. The act of humbling ourselves under God's hand means we acknowledge His sovereignty and submit to His will, knowing that His plans for us are good.

Humility also involves patience, as we wait for God's timing to lift us up. This can be challenging, especially when we feel ready for more or believe we know the best path forward. Yet, in these moments, our faith grows as we submit to God's will. By humbling ourselves under His mighty hand, we place our trust in His perfect plan and timing, which ultimately leads to a greater purpose and blessing in our lives.

- Reflect on a time when you had to wait for God's timing. How did it grow your faith?
- In what ways do you struggle with control in your life?
- How can you practice trusting God's plan for your life today?
- Pray for the patience to wait for God's perfect timing.
- Ask God to help you release control and fully trust in His plan.

