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A Place Where the Humble Are Exalted Jesus: Head of the Church – Part 3 Luke 14:1-14

Luke 14 has been called one of the most counter-culture chapters in the Bible. We are a society that loves to look out for No. 1. But in this passage, Jesus warns against self-centeredness and promotes humility. First Church should be a church where the humble are exalted. From this passage, let's notice three expectations that will help guide our church on this path of humility.

I. Be _____. (vv. 1-6)

- A. Flexibility is a sign of _____.
- B. A humble person is willing to sacrifice _____ - _____ for the good of others.
- C. If the church wants to be _____ in today's culture, it has to be flexible.
 1. _____ styles
 2. Worship _____
 3. _____ on other days of the week
 4. Communion _____

II. Be _____. (vv. 7-11)

- A. The _____ didn't want to humble themselves.
- B. The _____ didn't want to humble themselves. (Mk. 10:35-41)
- C. _____ don't always want to humble themselves.
 1. Baptism – “You're not going to get me dunked!”
 2. Tithing – “There goes the church asking for money again.”
 3. Wives submit to husbands – “No man is going to tell me what to do!”
 4. Husbands love your wives – “Oh, no. That's not me. I'm just not the romantic type.”
 5. Be considerate of others – “But his type isn't welcome here.”

III. Be _____. (vv. 12-14)

- A. Relate to people out of your normal _____ of friends.
- B. Don't always look for a _____ in return.
- C. People are not looking for organized _____, but meaningful _____.