

The ONE Thing.

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***The most important quality
one can have is HUMILITY
and the attitude of a SERVANT.***

John 3

³⁰ *“He must increase, but I must decrease.”*

1. The BIBLE calls for humility and

reveals it's value. (*Matthew 18:4; Matthew 23:13;*

Matthew 20:26-28; Proverbs 15:33; Proverbs 18:12;

James 4:10; Philippians 2:3; Romans 12:3)

2. JESUS emphasized humility repeatedly.

3. JOHN the Baptist modeled humility.

- The essence of humility is to go to the back and give Jesus the FRONT.
- John Blanchard, in his book, ***Lead Like Jesus***, wrote: *“Humility is realizing and emphasizing the importance of others. It is not putting yourself down; it is LIFTING others up.”*

- The work of John the Baptist was not at all insignificant, and he didn't think it was. He simply understood that the significance of his mission was based on exalting JESUS, not HIMSELF.
- 4. The measure of success is how much Jesus INCREASED because you lived; and for Jesus to increase, you have to DECREASE.**
- 5. Was John the Baptist a success? Luke 7:28, *"I tell you, among those born of women, there is no one greater than John..."***

Discussion Questions.

- What makes living a life of humility such a challenge?
- Jesus told us to humble ourselves, or we would be humbled. Humility is a choice and calls for action. What do you believe it takes to reflect and maintain a humble spirit?
- The attitude of humility manifests itself in the actions of service. What are some of the ways we as men can be servants in our homes, workplace, etc...?