

Lessons for Growing in Godly Humility

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Series: 1 Kings – Lessons from the Journey
4th of July Weekend

“Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you,” 1 Peter 5:5–6 ESV

“And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.” Deuteronomy 8:3 ESV

Biblical Humility is about My Surrender to God!

Introduction

“Solomon made a marriage alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt. He took Pharaoh’s daughter and brought her into the city of David until he had finished building his own house and the house of the LORD and the wall around Jerusalem. The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of the LORD.” 1 Kings 3:1–2 ESV

“For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other gods, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father.” 1 Kings 11:4 ESV

“If any one of the house of Israel kills an ox or a lamb or a goat in the camp, or kills it outside the camp, and does not bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting to offer it as a gift to the LORD in front of the tabernacle of the LORD, bloodguilt shall be imputed to that man. He has shed blood, and that man shall be cut off from among his people.” Leviticus 17:3–4 ESV

Six Lesson on Humility!

1. Humility is a Product of My Relationship with God.

“Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father, only he sacrificed and made offerings at the high places.” 1 Kings 3:3 ESV

“For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.” 1 John 5:3 ESV

2. Humility is Strengthen through My Worship of God.

“And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar.” 1 Kings 3:4 ESV

3. Humility is an Invitation for God to be a Part of My life

“At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.””
1 Kings 3:5 ESV

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”
Matthew 5:8 ESV

4. Humility Opens My Eyes to God’s Working

“And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day.”
1 Kings 3:6 ESV

5. Humility Set Me Free from Expectations of Myself/Others

“And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude.”
1 Kings 3:7–8 ESV

“Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?””
1 Kings 3:9 ESV

6. Humility Release God’s Blessing in My Life

“It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.””
1 Kings 3:10–14 ESV

**Ask Myself Each Morning...
Am I Willing to Let God be God?**

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