

Love Is Humble, Pt.2
Sermon Series: Are You A Good Neighbor?
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- + *Matthew 22:37-40*, “Jesus replied, ‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’³⁸This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’⁴⁰The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments” (NLT).
- + *1 Corinthians 13:4c*, “Love is not conceited or proud” (GNT).
- + *Matthew 20:25-28*, Jesus said, “You’ve observed how godless rulers throw their weight around, how quickly a little power goes to their heads. ²⁶It’s not going to be that way with you. ²⁷Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. ²⁸That is what the Son of Man has done: He came to serve, not be served—and then to give away His life in exchange for the many who are held hostage” (MES).
- + *1 Corinthians 14:1*, “Let love be your highest goal” (NLT).
- + *Matthew 6:2-4*, Jesus said, “So when you give to anyone — a friend, your neighbor, even a stranger — don’t announce it and make a show of it just to be seen by people in the streets, in the marketplace, at work and even at church. That is being hypocritical, not humble. Such people have already received their reward, which will not last long! ³But when you demonstrate generosity to anyone, do it with pure motives, without drawing attention to yourself and in an attitude of loving humility. This will last forever. ⁴Give secretly and your Father, who sees all you do, will reward you openly” (PAR).

The First Two Ways I Can Practice Humility

1. I can practice putting others first. I can do that in 3 practical ways: let others have what I want, let others get ahead of me, and listen more than I talk.
2. I can practice asking the opinion of others. If I do that, I will be more likable, wiser, and have less conflict because I am teachable and reachable.
3. I can practice _____.

- + *Proverbs 28:13*, “A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful, but if he confesses and forsakes them he gets another chance” (TLB).
- + *James 5:16*, “Make this your common practice. Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so you can live together whole and healed” (MES).

4. I can practice surrendering _____.

- + *James 4:6*, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble” (NLT).
- + *James 4:7*, “Surrender yourself to God” (CEV).
- + *Romans 6:13*, “Give yourselves to God and surrender your whole being to Him to be used for His righteous purpose” (GNT).
- + *Luke 2:38*, “So be it. I am the Lord’s servant, I am His handmaiden. Whatever He wants to do with my life, including this pregnancy, is fine with me.”

- Pride is always based on a _____ of yourself.

- Pride is always based on a _____.
- So much of the stress in your life and in my life comes from doing things _____.
- God would never ask you to do more than He gives you the power, the energy and the time to do. Which means this: If you feel like you're always under stress, your To Do list is never finished, you always have more to accomplish than you have hours in the day to do, then it means one thing: you are doing some things that are _____.

† *Matthew 11:29*, "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (NIV).

- Humility is God's antidote to _____.

A Yoke Is A Symbol of Two Realities

- a. A _____.
- b. _____.

† *Micah 6:8*, "This is what the Lord requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" (NLT).

† *Psalms 119:37*, "God, turn me away from wanting any other plan than Yours" (TLB).

- The only thing you have control over is your _____.

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