HUMILITY

Definition of Humble: "Not proud, or haughty; lowly, meek, modest, unaggressive, unassertive, yielding, plain, simple.

Proverbs 22:4 - "By humility and the fear (or respect) of the Lord, are riches, and honor, and life."

THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A HUMBLE PERSON:

1) Doesn't Brag.

Proverbs 27:2 - "Let another praise thee, and not thine own mouth, a stranger, and not thine own lips."

2) Doesn't Show Off. (no need to be the center of attention)

II Cor. 10:17 - "But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."

3) Doesn't Make Others (feel) Inferior. (not a snob)

Phil. 2:3 - "Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory, but in lowliness of mind, let each esteem other better than themselves."

Titus 3:2 - "Speak evil of no man."

Matthew 3:14 - "But John forbad Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me?"

4) Is Quick To Serve Others.

Colossians 3:17 - "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him."

Luke 22:26 - "But ye shall not be so; but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he that is chief, as he that doth serve."

John 13:12-17 - "So after He had washed their feet, and had taken His garments, and was set down again, He said unto
them, Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if you do them."

5) Isn't Impressed With Himself. (or his own accomplishments)

Matt. 8:8 - "The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the Word only, and my servant shall be healed."

I Tim. 1:15 - "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief."

Romans 12:3 - "For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."

I Cor. 10:12 - "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

6) Is A Good Listener. (doesn’t dominate conversations)

James 1:19 - "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."

Prov. 17:27 - "He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit."

Prov. 15:28 - "The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things."
7) Is Not Judgmental. (pride)

Matt. 7:1-5 - "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged, and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again, And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? O how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye, and behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shall thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

I Peter 5:5(b) "...be clothed with humility, for God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble."

Prov. 16:18 - "Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

John 8:3-11 (read the woman committing adultery story) Verse #7(b) "...He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her." Verse #ll(b) "...Neither do I condemn thee: go and sin no more."

Prov. 11:2 - "When pride cometh, then cometh shame, but with the lowly is wisdom."

Prov. 8:13 - "The fear (or respect) of the Lord is to hate evil, pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth do I hate."

Prov. 29:23 - "A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall unhold the humble in spirit."

Luke 14:11 - "For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

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