

St. Paul's Notes

50 Days of God's Love

LOVE IS HUMBLE

Part 4 of 8

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"Love is not conceited or proud." 1 Corinthians 13:4 (GN)

HUMILITY: Not thinking less of yourself.

It's thinking of others instead of yourself AND acting in their best interest, instead of your own.

"Let's not just talk about love, let's PRACTICE real love." 1 John 3:18

4 HABITS OF HUMILITY

1. PRACTICE _____ TO OTHERS.

"Give preference to one another in honor." Romans 12:10 (NAS)

"Practice playing second fiddle." (The Message)

"Don't push your way to the front... Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead. Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand. Think of yourselves the way Jesus thought of himself. He was God ... but He took on the status of a slave... an incredibly humbling process. He didn't claim special privileges. Instead, He lived a selfless, obedient life ..."

Philippians 2:3-8 (The Message)

"Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry." James 1:19

2. PRACTICE _____

"Conceited people do not like to be corrected and they never ask for advice." Proverbs 15:12 (GN)

"If you reject criticism, you only harm yourself, but if you listen to correction, you grow in understanding." Proverbs 15:32 (NLT)

"Pride only leads to arguments." Proverbs 13:10 (NCV)

"Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 18:4

3. PRACTICE _____

"A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance."

Proverbs 28:13 (LB)

"Make this your common practice: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed."

James 5:16 (The Message)

4. PRACTICE _____ TO GOD

"God opposes everyone who is proud, but He gives grace to everyone who is humble. So surrender to God!" James 4:6-7 (CEV)

"Give yourselves to God ... and surrender your whole being to Him to be used for His righteous purposes." Romans 6:13 (GN)

"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." Matthew 11:29

"This is what the Lord requires from you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to live humbly with your God." Micah 6:8 (GN)

Pray: *"Turn me away from wanting any other plan than Yours."*

Psalms 119:37 (LB)

"All who humble themselves before the Lord shall be given every blessing and shall have wonderful peace." Psalm 37:11 (LB)