

THE LOWDOWN ON THE HIGH ROAD

Philippians 2:3-11

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*Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle
and **humble in heart**. Matthew 11:29*

Do you have an attitude of humility?

1. Our default setting is pride.

*Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind
let each of you regard one another as more important than himself.
Philippians 2:3*

A. Pride reveals itself in selfishness.

*Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but
also for the interests of others. Philippians 2:4*

B. Pride reveals itself in a desire for recognition and glory.

C. Pride is the number one sin God hates.

*There are six things which the Lord hates, Yes, seven which are an
abomination to Him: Haughty eyes [A proud look – the spirit that
makes one overestimate himself and underestimate others]...
Proverbs 6:16-17*

*You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of
you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for
God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.
1 Peter 5:5*

*** True humility is not thinking poorly of yourself. It is
simply not thinking of yourself.**

2. Our divine example is Jesus.

*Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus; who,
although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a
thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant,
and being made in the likeness of men. Philippians 2:5-7*

A. Jesus humbled Himself by becoming a man.

B. Jesus humbled Himself by becoming completely obedient.

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Philippians 2:8

C. Jesus humbled Himself by thinking of others first.

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8:9

3. Our Heavenly Father is watching.

Therefore also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9-11

A. Humility brings exaltation.

Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you. James 4:10

B. Exaltation brings humiliation.

And whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted. Matthew 23:12

C. You and I have a choice.

And Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and said to him, "Thus says the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, 'How long will you refuse to humble yourself before Me?'" Exodus 10:3

Will you make the choice to humble yourself before God?