The Heritage Hour

#92 He is our Humble Heart

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KEY THEME: The Lord is our Humble Heart

MESSAGE/TAKEAWAYS:

The Lord, our Humble Heart, show us that . . .

1. HUMILTY REFLECTS HIS INNER HEART. 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.

Breezy/Wood * Self-described Gentle/Humble * Scarf/Muffler * Easy, Light, Rest

2. HUMILTY IS MODELLED ON THE CROSS. Philippians 2:8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Ridicule * Spit (distrust) * Thorns * Nails * Cross * Death * Cancel Culture

3. HUMILTY REFLECTS GOD'S GREATER GRACE. James 4:6 But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to The humble."

Angry or Amiable? * Forceful or Forgiving? * Dominant or Deferential? Posturing or Peaceable? * Pressuring or Patient? * Contentious or Content? Self-righteous or Self Aware?

- **4. HUMILTY IS THE GARMENT OF GOD'S CHOSEN**. Colossians 3:12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;
- * Remembering we were chosen breeds humility (The Chosen)
- * Cousin attributes * Good litmus test * Portrayed fruit vs. Bearing fruit
- **5. HUMILTY WALKS WITH GENTLENESS AND LOVE.** Ephesians 4:1-2 Walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness... showing tolerance for one another in love.
- * Fix them? * Correct them? * Police them? (Faucet principle)
- * Fight them? * Demonize them? * Cancel them? (Cancel Culture)

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- **6. HUMILTY HONORS ELDERS AND OTHERS.** 1 Peter 5:5 You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another...
- * Generically * Mentors * Pastors * Counselors (Breezy)
- * Elder polity * Rule? * Led? (Young Elders)
- * Learning curves * Works in progress * Youthful zeal * Ragamuffins
- **7. HUMILTY CONSIDERS OTHERS BEFORE OURSELVES.** Philippians 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves;
- * People or Commodities (tools; staff; cogs; servants)? * Test: Irritability
- * Children or Pets? * Test: Few conversations
- **8. HUMILTY SPAWNS WISDOM.** Proverbs. 11:2 When pride comes, then comes dishonor. But with the humble is wisdom.
- * Open or Close minded? (insecurity: one-dimensional: naïve: zeal)
- * Open or Close hearted (wounded: fearful: protected: defensive: bitter)
- **9. HUMILTY DRAWS STRENGTHENING FROM GOD** Psalm 10:17 O Lord, You have heard the desire of the humble; You will strengthen their heart, You will incline Your ear.
- * Self-management (I can do this) vs. Servant-hearted (I can't do this, Lord)
- * "Find out what God is doing and get in on it." Henry Blackaby
- **10. HUMILTY HELPS US SEE GOD'S WAYS.** Psalm 25:9 He leads the humble in justice, And He teaches the humble His way.
- * His ways come in glimpses (New York global conference)
- * His ways are:

[] Multi-dimensional [] Mysterious [] Paradoxical [] Counter-points [] Counter-intuitive [] Eternal [] Antinomies [] Caveats

- 11. HUMILTY REFLECTS CHILD-LIKE GREATNESS. Matthew 18:4 Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.
- * Children more easily walk by trust and faith (Existential Humility)
 - [] Not by reason and intellect [] Not by self-will and arrogance
- **12. HUMILTY IS EXALTED AT THE PROPER TIME.** 1 Peter 5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He might exalt you at the proper time, having cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.
- * At the end of the day... Bottom line... All things circle back to Jesus
- * Humbly sitting at the feet of Jesus, lets him lift you up whenever He wishes