

## No Perfect People Allowed How To Develop Humility

### 1. Understand why this is a \_\_\_\_\_

Definition: *The noble choice to forgo your status, deploy your resources or use your influence for the good of others before yourself.* John Dickson

- Humility allows \_\_\_\_\_
- Humility allows you to \_\_\_\_\_
- Humility expands \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Put the \_\_\_\_\_

**Daniel 4:25** *...until you learn that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of the world and gives them to anyone he chooses.*

- I have what I have \_\_\_\_\_

**Deuteronomy 8:17-18** *He did all this so you would never say to yourself, 'I have achieved this wealth with my own strength and energy.' Remember the LORD your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful...*

- \_\_\_\_\_
- I have \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ in some areas of my life now

### 3. \_\_\_\_\_

- We \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 20:26** *...whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant...*

- Serve those who could \_\_\_\_\_

**Luke 14:13** *...invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you.*

- Serve where \_\_\_\_\_

## Am I Growing In Humility?

- Am I more aware of my own limitations and imperfections?
- Am I more willing to admit when I am wrong?
- Am I more open to feedback and criticism?
- Am I more willing to give others credit and praise?
- Am I less concerned with my own status and importance?
- Am I more interested in serving others than in being served?
- Am I more willing to forgive others and myself?
- Am I more compassionate and understanding towards others?
- Am I more grateful for the good things in my life?
- Am I more trusting in God and his plan for my life?

## 6 Subtle symptoms of pride

### Adapted from an article by John Piper

Fault-finding: Humble people are far more focused on all the areas where they have to improve and grow and not everyone else's growth areas.

A harsh spirit: Proud people treat others disrespectfully. Humble people treat others with gentleness.

Superficiality: Proud people are far more concerned with image and little interest in genuine accountability.

Defensiveness: Humble people can handle challenge, criticism and rebuke without giving up.

Desperation for attention: Proud people always turn the conversation back to themselves.

Neglecting others: Proud people don't care much about the weak, unattractive or the broken.

**Romans 12:3** *Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.*

**Philippians 2:3** *Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.*