

The Jesus Way
Choosing To Imitate The Humility Of Jesus – Part 2

1. Understand the impact of humility

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

2. Realize how Jesus changed the world with humility

3. Imitate the _____

a) Desire _____

Philippians 2:5-8 *Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!*

Goal: _____ Jesus chose humility

b) Acknowledge _____

1 Peter 1:2 *Grace and peace be yours in abundance.*

➤ *Reveal any place where* _____

➤ *Give me strength* _____

c) Eliminate _____

Romans 12:16 *Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.*

d) Look for ways to use what you have _____

Mark 10:45 *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.*

e) _____

1 Peter 5:6-7 *Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.*

1. Do you look down on those who are less educated, less affluent, less refined or less successful than yourself? Do you look down on those who are less educated, less affluent, less refined or less successful than yourself?
2. Do you think of yourself as more spiritual than your spouse or others in your church?
3. Do you have a judgmental spirit toward those who don't make the same lifestyle choices you do?
4. Are you quick to find fault with others and to verbalize those thoughts to others?
5. Do you have a sharp, critical tongue?
6. Do you frequently correct or criticize your mate, pastor or other people in positions of leadership (teachers, senators, CEO's, etc.)?
7. Do you give undue time, attention and effort to your physical appearance—hair, make-up, clothing, weight, body shape, avoiding appearance of aging?
8. Are you argumentative?
9. Do you generally think your way is the right way, the only way or the best way?
10. Do you have a touchy, sensitive spirit? Easily offended? Get your feelings hurt easily?
11. Are you guilty of pretense? Trying to leave a better impression of yourself than is really true?
12. Do you have a hard time admitting when you are wrong?
13. Do you have a hard time confessing your sin to God or others (not just in generalities but specifics)?
14. Do you have a hard time sharing your real spiritual needs/struggles with others?
15. Do you become defensive when you are criticized or corrected?
16. Do you try to control your mate, your children, friends, co-workers?
17. Do you often complain—about the weather, your health, your circumstances, your job, your church?
18. Do you talk about yourself too much?
19. Are you more concerned about your problems, needs, burdens than about others' concerns?
20. Do you worry about what others think of you? Too concerned about your reputation or your family's reputation?
21. When is the last time you said these words to a family member, friend or coworker: "I was wrong; would you please forgive me?"
22. Are you genuinely grateful?