

OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S COMMANDS — UNCOMPROMISING ALIGNMENT

— Humility and Lowliness Beginner Teaching Outline

I. DOCTRINE STATEMENT — WHAT HUMILITY IS

- Humility is a lowly posture before God, recognizing dependence on Him rather than self-exaltation. (Micah 6:8; Prov 3:34, summaries)
- God gives grace to the humble and resists the proud. (James 4:6; 1 Pet 5:5, summaries)
- Servants of God are identified by meekness, not self-promotion. (Ps 25:9; Matt 5:5, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility defines posture before God.

II. HUMILITY BEFORE GOD

- God calls His people to walk humbly with Him. (Micah 6:8, summary)
- Humility begins with the fear of the LORD. (Prov 15:33; Prov 22:4, summaries)
- God dwells with the lowly and contrite. (Isa 57:15; Ps 34:18, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility begins vertically with God.

III. HUMILITY IN LEARNING AND TEACHABILITY

- The humble receive instruction and correction. (Prov 9:8–9; Prov 12:1, summaries)
- Pride rejects counsel, but humility gains wisdom. (Prov 13:10; Prov 11:2, summaries)
- Servants learn before they lead. (Ps 119:71; Luke 10:39, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility makes one teachable.

IV. HUMILITY MODELED BY CHRIST

- Jesus describes Himself as gentle and lowly in heart. (Matt 11:29, summary)
- Christ humbled Himself to serve. (Phil 2:5–7, summaries)
- Humility is shown through service, not status. (John 13:14–15; Mark 10:43–45, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Christ is the model of humility.

V. HUMILITY AND RELATIONSHIPS

- God calls His people to value others above themselves. (Phil 2:3; Rom 12:10, summaries)
- Humility promotes peace and unity. (Prov 15:1; Eph 4:2–3, summaries)
- Lowliness guards against strife and offense. (Prov 18:12; Prov 29:23, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility preserves relationships.

VI. HUMILITY AND HONOR

- Honor follows humility in God’s order. (Prov 18:12; Prov 15:33, summaries)
- God lifts up the humble in due time. (Luke 14:11; James 4:10, summaries)
- Self-exaltation leads to downfall. (Prov 16:18; Luke 18:14, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility precedes honor.

VII. SERVANT IDENTITY MARKERS

- Servants wait on God rather than assert themselves. (Ps 123:2; Isa 40:31, summaries)
- Servants submit joyfully to God’s will. (1 Sam 3:10; Luke 22:42, summaries)
- Servants accept correction without resistance. (Prov 10:17; Heb 12:11, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility marks true servants.

VIII. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATION

- Humility is lowliness before God.
- Humility makes one teachable.
- Humility is modeled by Christ.
- Humility preserves unity and peace.

Memory Anchor: “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” (James 4:6, summary)

IX. TRANSITION TO NEXT DOCTRINE

- Humility prepares the heart for faithfulness.
- Lowliness supports reliability in service.
- Faithfulness grows from a humble posture.

X. COMMAND SUMMARY

- Humility and lowliness are essential marks of those who serve God rightly.