Marks of Humility

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Psalm 138:6, "Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar."

Isaiah 66:2, "These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word."

Isaiah 57:15, "For this is what the high and exalted One says—he who lives forever, whose name is holy: "I live in a high and holy place, but also with the one who is contrite and lowly in spirit."

- **1 Peter 5:5,** "All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."
- 1. A humble person chooses lowest position, and trembles to be in the highest position.
- 2. A humble person does menial tasks by taking initiation and with gladness.
- 3. A humble person rejoices in the success of others. He shuns jealousy.
- 4. A humble person honors everyone, not just the rich and people of high status.
- 5. A humble person accepts correction without being defensive and without retaliation.
- 6. A humble person gives credit to the one who deserves it. He does not take false credits.
- 7. A humble person honestly admits his weaknesses and failures. He does not try to impress others of his perfection.
- 8. A humble person shudders to gossip or mock at others' failures, but feels compassion, for he knows how weak he himself is and how God is gracious towards him.
- 9. A humble person gives priority to others to choose the best, and is not self-focussed.
- 10. A humble person always depends on God's grace through faith and prayer, knowing he can do nothing without Him.
- 11. A humble person endures unjust suffering.
- 12. A humble person refuses to boast about himself (knowledge, skills, good works...etc) and sees no good in himself apart from God's grace.

- 13. A humble person does not make demands for himself, but pleads for help.
- 14. A humble person does not look for people's attention, praise and applause. His eyes are on the appreciation from his Lord.
- 15. A humble person's attitude is not to become great but to be faithful and helpful in life.
- 16. A humble person refuses to fall in self-pity.
- 17. A humble person always looks for opportunities to serve (not to be served) and to be a blessing to others.
- 18. A humble person is a man of gratitude. When people do good to him, he thinks he doesn't deserve it and is immensely thankful.
- 19. A humble person is not revengeful towards those who hurt him, but gracious, doing good to them when opportunity comes.
- 20. A humble person considers himself as a servant of people, not something special and significant.
- 21. A humble person is interested in the other person, listening more and speaking less.
- 22. A humble person is submissive to the authorities, even to his sub-ordinates.
- 23. A humble person is broken in his heart for his sin against God and people.
- 24. A humble person is slow to anger and gentle in spirit. He is firm but not harsh. Also, he graciously responds to those who disagree with him and criticize him.
- 25. A humble person adjusts in uncomfortable situations with contentment and without grumbling.
- 26. A humble person trembles at God's Word. He does not treat God's commandments lightly, but walks in the fear of the Lord.
- 27. A humble person's humility is preeminently evident in his home and among the people close to him.
- 28. A humble person is teachable. No matter how aged, knowledgeable and experienced, he is always willing to learn and grow.
- 29. A humble person does not seek to impress others of his humility. His heart seeks to please God alone.
- 30. A humble person boasts about God's grace in all things and gives glory to God in everything.