

*Micah 6:8 He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

**Pride – all about you, you are your own god, selfish, glorifies self**

**Humility – servant, dependent on God, selfless, glorifies God**

*Isaiah 14:12-15 How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, "I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High." But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit.*

**1) Be Humble – watch out for pride and give the glory to God!**

*Isaiah 42:8 "I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols.*

*Matthew 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.*

- a) Is everything all about you? (the center of attention)
- b) Do you think too highly of yourself?
- c) Do you think too lowly of yourself? (false humility)
- d) Are you extremely concerned with how people perceive you? (perfectionism)
- e) Are you teachable?
- f) Do you need control of everything?
- g) Do you take matters into your own hands?

**2) Be Humble – remember who God is and who we are**

*Job 38:3-21 Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me. "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? "Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness, when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, when I said, 'This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt'? "Have you ever given orders to the morning, or shown the dawn its place, that it might take the earth by the edges and shake the wicked out of it? The earth takes shape like clay under a seal; its features stand out like those of a garment. The wicked are denied their light, and their upraised arm is broken. "Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the shadow of death? Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this. "What is the way to the abode of light? And where does darkness reside? Can you take them to their places? Do you know the paths to their dwellings? Surely you know, for you were already born! You have lived so many years!*

**How do we remember who God is and who we are?**

- a) His Goodness
- b) His Creation
- c) The Word of God
- d) Prayer
- e) His Presence
- f) His Sacrifice

*2Corinthians 12:7-9 To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.*

### **3) Be Humble – depend on God and rely on the Holy Spirit in our circumstances**

*Deuteronomy 8:2-3. NKJV "And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. "So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.*

*Philippians 2:4-9 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. 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! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,*

*John 13:1-5 It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love. The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel round his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped round him.*

### **4) Be Humble – serve God and serve people in every opportunity**

***On Being a Servant of God* by Warren Wiersbe**

**Benefits of being humble?**

- **With humility there is JOY and CONTENTMENT**
- **The humble person has access to unlimited resources from God**

**Proverbs 22:4, NLT True humility and fear of the LORD lead to riches, honor, and long life.**

**James 4:6 ...God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.**

**James 4:10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up.**

*All Bible references are from the New International Version (NIV) unless otherwise noted. NLT = New Living Translation. NKJV = New King James Version.*