



Community Group Discussion Guide

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Week 8 | Be Humble
Philippians 2:3-7

Introduction

The premise behind this series is that the God who created us, loves us intensely. His desire is not simply that we'll make it through life...that we'll somehow get by. God wants far more for us than this! God's desire is for us to thrive in every area of our lives. God wants us to maximize the one life he's given us to live!

This week's sermon looks at the 8th principle given by Dr. Cloud in his book, "9 Things You Simply Must Do." The principle: *Be Humble* - a principle that's clearly rooted in the truth of scripture.

Questions for Study (write answers on the back or on another piece of paper)

1. Write down your definition of humility. Then think of someone in your life who's modeled this for you. How have they done this?
2. A very significant passage of scripture about Jesus Christ was written by Paul in the second chapter of his letter to the Christians in Philippi. Read Philippians 2:1-11 and write down everything you learn about Jesus Christ.
3. How does this description of Jesus Christ emphasize the importance of humility in our personal lives?
4. In his book – "9 Things You Simply Must Do" – Dr. Cloud gives the following definition of humility: "Humility is not having a need to be more than you are." What do you think he means by giving humility this definition?
5. If a person fits this description of humility, how does it impact their ability to help others succeed in life?
6. Write out each one of the following verses: Galatians 6:1, Ephesians 5:32, Colossians 3:12, and 1 Peter 3:8. How do they support this principle of humility?
7. Can you think of a time in your own life when you've been helped by another person who exemplifies humility? How did they help you?
8. If a person is humble, how does it impact their ability to succeed in their own lives?
9. David points to the danger of arrogance in Psalm 36:2. What is that danger?
10. In Proverbs 9:7-9, Solomon draws a contrast between a fool and a wise man. What is that contrast?
11. There are two things the humble person does that build success into their lives. They admit it quickly when they're in the wrong. And they receive correction and confrontation from others well. Why are both essential for a person to succeed in life?