

Lecture No. 44

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. Humble Who? .

No. 1.) We are going to touch a bit on humility. God has a great deal to say about this, simply because it is so important, as it is the opposite of pride; and poor man has nothing to be proud about. James 4:10 **Humble yourselves** in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. The great point of today's lecture is, that humility is our work, ***we are to humble ourselves.*** This is not God's work, but it is our work.

This becomes more clear as we read the old dictionaries. The 1828 defines humble as “**having a low opinion of one's self, and a deep sense of unworthiness in the sight of God.**”

No. 2.) Deuteronomy 8:2-3 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, **to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no. (3) And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know;** that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

No. 3.) Do you want spiritual life and health? Humble yourself before God and he will feed you with spiritual manna that you have never known before, neither have your fathers known. If we are going to live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord, we are going to need the manna words. But you must take action, do the work necessary to humble yourself, because God resists the proud.

No. 4.) 1 Peter 5:5-6 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, *all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.*
(6) *Humble yourselves* therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

No. 5.) Next time you see someone in your group claiming to be a leader, standing up to teach, saying you need to follow him, you will know that this man is not willing to be subject to the body of Christ and he must be reprov'd. God resists such pride, he reads the hearts of us all and through the church submitted to him, he will separate out those who he desires for positions of leadership; and even these lead in humility, being in subjection to their brethren.

No. 6.) God told Jeremiah, chapter 13, to bury a linen girdle by the river, after several days he told Jeremiah to go and dig it up; we enter the story here. Jeremiah 13:7-25 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the girdle

was marred, it was profitable for nothing. (8) Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, (9) Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem. (10) This evil people, **which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods,** to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing. (11) For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD; that they might be unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: **but they would not hear.** (12) Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine? (13) Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness. (14) And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them. (15) **Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud:** for the LORD hath spoken. (16) Give glory to the LORD your God, before he **cause darkness,** and before **your feet stumble** upon the dark mountains, **and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, and make it gross darkness.** (*this sounds so much like what God says in The Day-Star, Ellen's first vision, we'll speak about that later*) (17) But if ye will not hear it, my

soul shall weep in secret places for your pride; and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the LORD'S flock is carried away captive. (18) Say unto the king and to the queen, *Humble yourselves*, sit down: for your principalities shall come down, even the crown of your glory. (19) The cities of the south shall be shut up, and none shall open them: Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive. (20) Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: *where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?* (this clearly is a reference to our children) (21) What wilt thou say when he shall punish thee? for thou hast taught them to be captains, and as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail? (22) And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare. (23) Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil. (24) *Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble* (this is a reference to Obadiah, where Esau is stubble) *that passeth away* by the wind of the wilderness. (25) This is thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD; because thou hast forgotten me, **and trusted in falsehood.**

Isaiah 28:15 also speaks to this point, that those who claim to be God's people have made lies their refuge. It is an amazing thing that all pastors of every denomination, claiming to be Christians, train at the feet of Satan in the arts of hermeneutics, learning to lie about what God's word plainly teaches, and think they are doing God service; and in the

pride of their masters of divinity degree, will say, follow me, I will lead you to life. It is not life, it is truly death.

No. 7.) God continues to plead with us to prepare for Heaven. This is a great example. Philippians 2:5-8 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: (6) Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: (7) But **made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:** (8) And being found in fashion as a man, **he humbled himself,** and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Remember these words.

Luke 14:11 **For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.**

Here is the way of life, walk ye therein.

And that is...

~ The End ~

of our Presentation for Today,

God Bless your Study

