

PARTE III: Humble Servant

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DIVIDE IN TRIADS

- 1) Share one or two good things that happened in the last week.
- 2) Share one or two not-so good things that happened in the last week.
- 3) Update each other about last week's prayer petitions and share any new one you might have

LAST WEEK'S PRACTICE

Last week's practice was to continue practicing the characteristic of Jesus that you had chosen the first week, and add a practice (praying, reading the Bible, or silence and solitude) to be with Jesus

- Who would like to tell how the practice went? Do you think that by being with Jesus it is "easier" to become like Jesus?

SUMMARY.

One of the best characteristics that Jesus came to teach was HUMILITY. Through this characteristic we can also see the one that is not like Jesus, which is based on selfishness and pride. God's design of humility is not about feeling inferior or superior, but about practicing Jesus' script. And the opposite, pride, is like reading and practicing Satan's script

SUNDAY'S TEACHING

- What did the Holy Spirit speak to you (or got your attention) about Sunday's teaching?

Matthew 6:1-4

- Why do you think human beings struggle so much with wanting to receive people's approval?
- When Jesus used the word "hypocrites" he was referring in part to religious leaders. Why do you think people who go to church (including you) struggle so much with hypocrisy and pretending? Remember to answer the question in the first person
- C.S Lewis once said that "Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it is thinking of yourself less." What do you think of this quote?

THIS WEEK'S PRACTICE

Today we will be doing two practices that will help us grow in the characteristic of humility. **Confession and the secrecy.** We will be starting the first one today and encouraging you to follow it throughout the week. And the second practice is to do during the week

Confession

- James tells us to "confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed." Confessing where we have failed strikes at the core of our pride and religious hypocrisy
- Divide into the same trios from the beginning
- Now, each take a minute to share how you failed God (with your family, or at school, or in a relationship, etc.) during the last week. Just share without giving any justification or wanting to make excuses
 - Share as much as you feel comfortable

- Each one will have one minute to share
- Be as honest as possible
- Those listening, please don't give advice, it's just for listening. Say, thanks for sharing, and move on to the other person
- You can share as follows:
 - During the last week I failed God when:
 - I yelled at my children because they disobeyed me
 - I lied when I told to my teacher I had done the homework
 - I spoke badly about someone behind their back
 - I lied
- One of the simplest but most difficult practices that go along with humility and that attack our pride is asking for forgiveness
 - Now, take a minute to think about who you need to apologize to for the mistake you made that was discussed in their groups.
 - Yes, we must ask God for forgiveness, do it. But most of the time we have also affected an earthly relationship (dad, mom, son, daughter, friend, teacher, etc.). So think about which person you should ask for forgiveness and make the commitment to God, to yourself, and to your trio that you are going to do it.
- Now we encourage you to share in your trios who you are going to apologize to this week. It is optional, only those who wish to do it

Secrecy

- Now let's put Matthew 6 into practice
- Think of an intentional action of generosity and support that you can do for someone
- Do it this week without anyone knowing
- And when you finish doing the secret action, take a few seconds to look up at the heavens and imagine that God the Father is smiling and celebrating you. And let him reward you privately
 - Write here what you could do:

THIS WEEK'S PRACTICE

This week's practice is to ask for forgiveness from the person you hurt without justifying yourself or making excuses; just asking for forgiveness. And do the action of generosity in secret.

When you are doing both practices, imagine that God is watching you from heaven, smiling because you look more and more like Jesus.