

EXPECTATIONS

1. BRING YOUR BIBLE
2. ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AHEAD OF TIME
3. CONFIDENTIALITY IS ESSENTIAL
4. MAKE YOUR COMMUNITY GROUP A PRIORITY

***BLESSED**-THE WORD BLESSED IN THE GREEK MEANS GODLIKE JOY.

***HUMBLE SYNONYMS:** DEMURE, DOWN-TO-EARTH, LOWLY, MEEK, MODEST, UNASSUMING, UNPRETENTIOUS

*Other Scriptures referred to in the message

Philippians 2:8-And being found in appearance as a human being, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!

MATTHEW 18:4-Therefore, whoever takes a humble place—becoming like this child—is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 23:12-For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Ephesians 4:26a- “In your anger do not sin”

Romans 12:3-For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

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Community Group Questions Sunday, December 11

THE UPSIDE DOWN KINGDOM- BLESSED ARE THE HUMBLE

1. Have you ever had to eat a piece of humble pie? (Humble pie=not tasty) Tell the story.

Read- Matthew 5:5 & 1Peter 5:5-6

2. What does it mean to be humble? What are some actions/attributes of those who are humble?
3. Why do you think God asked us to humble ourselves? How does this point to free will/choice? What are the consequences based upon Matthew 23:12?
4. **Discuss the following statements.**
 - ◆ *As followers of Jesus it is never right to be angry for any insult or injury done to ourselves (**selfish anger**).*
 - ◆ *As a follower of Christ there are certain issues that should make me very angry.*
 - ◆ *What issues should make us angry? How do we keep from sinning in our anger? (Ephesians 4:26)*
5. *Is there such a thing as a prideful follower of Christ? Why is pride such a dangerous sin?*

Prayer Time