

**Like Him: Humility**  
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**1 JOHN 4:17 NIV**

*“This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.”*

**PROVERBS 16:18 MSG**

*First pride, then the crash—the bigger the ego, the harder the fall.*

**PROVERBS 29:23 MSG**

*Pride lands you flat on your face; humility prepares you for honors.*

**PSALM 138:6 NLT**

*Though the Lord is great, he cares for the HUMBLE, but he keeps his distance from the PROUD.*

**PHILIPPIANS 2:3-9 NCV**

*When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be HUMBLE and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others. In your lives you must THINK AND ACT LIKE CHRIST JESUS. Christ himself was like God in everything. But he did not think that being equal with God was something to be used for his own benefit. But he gave up his place with God and made himself nothing. He was born as a man and became like a SERVANT. And when he was living as a man, he HUMBLISHED HIMSELF and was fully obedient to God, even when that caused his death—death on a cross. So God raised him to the highest place. God made His name greater than every other name ...*

**Humility:**

- Coming to a place where you understand you are nothing, you know nothing, you have nothing and you can do nothing without God

- A place of complete dependence on God

**Pride:** complete dependence on self

**Humility:** complete dependence on God

### **1 PETER 5:5-6 NIV**

*In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, CLOTHE YOURSELVES WITH HUMILITY toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.” Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.*

### **What It Means to Clothe Yourself with Humility:**

#### 1. Devotional Humility

### **PSALM 63:1 NKJV**

*O God, You are my God; EARLY WILL I SEEK YOU; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.*

### **MATTHEW 11:28-29 NIV**

*“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”*

#### 2. Relational Humility

### **PHILLIPIANS 2:3-4 NCV**

*When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others.*

#### 3. Economic Humility

### **MATTHEW 6:19-21 NLT**

*“Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves don not break in and steal. Wherever our treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”*

#### 4. Serving Humility

##### **MARK 10:42-45 NLT**

*So Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your SERVANT, and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. For even the Son of Man came NOT TO BE SERVED but to SERVE OTHERS and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

##### **LUKE 9:46-48 NLT**

*Then his disciples began arguing about which of them was the greatest. But Jesus knew their thoughts, so he brought a little child to his side. Then he said to them, “Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me also welcomes my Father who sent me. Whoever is the least among you is the greatest.”*