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Matthew 18

HUMBLE OURSELVES





MATTHEW 18:2-4 (ESV)

And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them **3** and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. **4** Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

LUKE 22:24-27 (ESV)

24 A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. **25** And he said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors.



LUKE 22:24-27 (ESV)

26 But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. **27** For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.





JOHN 13:12-15 (ESV)

12 When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, “Do you understand what I have done to you? **13** You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am.





JOHN 13:12-15 (ESV)

14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. **15** For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.



PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4 (NIV)

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, **4** not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.



Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the cloud? Lay first the foundation of humility.

Saint Augustine



PHILIPPIANS 2:6-8 (ESV)

who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, **7** but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. **8** And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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**BE A CONDUIT FOR
RIGHTEOUSNESS AND
NOT FOR STUMBLING**



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MATTHEW 18:5-6 (ESV)

5 “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, **6** but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.



HEBREWS 10:24 (ESV)

And let us consider how to stir up
one another to love and good works,

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MATTHEW 18:12-14 (ESV)

12 What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray?



MATTHEW 18:12-14 (ESV)

13 And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. **14** So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

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FORGIVE AS WE HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN



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MATTHEW 18:21-22 (ESV)

21 Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” **22** Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.





MATTHEW 18:23-34 (ESV)

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. 24 When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 25 And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.



MATTHEW 18:23-34 (ESV)

26 So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' 27 And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. 28 But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'



MATTHEW 18:23-34 (ESV)

29 So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' 30 He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. 31 When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.



MATTHEW 18:23-34 (ESV)

32 Then his master summoned him and said to him,
‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt
because you pleaded with me. 33 And should not
you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had
mercy on you?’ 34 And in anger his master delivered
him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.



HEBREWS 12:14-15 (ESV)

14 Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. **15** See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled;

COLOSSIANS 3:13 (NIV)

13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

ROMANS 5:8 (ESV)

8 but God shows his love for us
in that while we were still
sinners, Christ died for us.