

Opening reading: Philippians 2:19-30
Title: Humility in Action

Humility in action:

1. Is found in the Lord Jesus

- [cite] Colossians 3:3
- [cite] Galatians 2:20
- [cite] Philippians 2:5
- Quote: “You must therefore conceal from the patient the true end of humility. Let him think of it not as self-forgetfulness but as a certain kind of opinion (namely, a low opinion) of his own talents and character...Fix in his mind the idea that humility consists in trying to believe [his] talents to be less valuable than he believes them to be...By this method thousands of humans have been brought to think that humility means pretty women trying to believe they are ugly and clever men trying to believe they are fools. And since what they are trying to believe may, in some cases, be manifest nonsense, they cannot succeed in believing it and we have the chance of keeping their minds endlessly revolving on themselves in an effort to achieve the impossible.
- [cite] 2 Corinthians 4:5-6

Humility in action:

2. Loves the body of Christ

- 19, “I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be *cheered by news of you.*”
- 20, “For I have no one like him, who will be *genuinely concerned for your welfare.*
- 21, “For they all seek *their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.*”
- 26, “for he has been *longing for you all* and has been *distressed* because you heard that he was ill.
- 27, “Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, *lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.*

Application: Our love grows when we persevere with one another

Humility in action:

3. Serves the body of Christ (19, 22 23, 25, 28, 30)

Application: Pray that the Lord would be transforming you into a Christ-like servant.