

Study Notes on Humility – Graeme Clark 19 November 2017

Romans 12:3-16

1. Can you think of people you admire because they exhibit humility? What do you find attractive about them?
2. Can you share some examples of false humility?
3. Reflect on Graeme's statements:
Humility isn't in the behaviour, it is in the attitude;
Humility is an action – we step aside to allow (not to get or to avoid);
Humility is functional – it is the purpose it is being done.
4. Humility comes from a place of strength - see John 13:1-14 and Philippians 2:5-8.
5. How do you square the humility of Jesus with His egocentric claims – I am the light of the world etc? What might this teach us about how we might live?
6. What do you see as the distinction between humility and humiliation?
7. Love is the seed from which humility grows – how does 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13 illustrate this?
8. Identify the humility issues in Romans 12:3-16.
9. If an aspect of humility is stepping aside to allow others to grow, how do we find the place to exercise our own gifts; exercise quality control, e.g. protect an audience from unhelpful presentation, model excellence?

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