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The Humility of a Child

“Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.”
Luke 18: 17-17

Prayer: Dear God, help me recapture the wonder, purity, and innocence of a childlike trust in your goodness and guidance. I long to be filled with your wisdom and motivated by your kingdom plans. And by your grace, let me act graciously toward others, as well.

Heavenly Father, I’m amazed not only by your ability to save me from the penalty of my sins but by your unconditional willingness to do so. By your Son you have adopted me into your family and given me your indwelling Holy Spirit. Lord, because you are good I am accounted well, though I know my daily life often shows otherwise. By your grace, may I strive to be in practice of what I have already become in position.

Dear Father, how like a child I act, rushing into your role. Help me distinguish between standing up for the right and overstepping your authority. For you alone are the only perfect Judge. Father, life often requires more of me than I expect. Help me look beyond my own “rights”. May I willingly lay down my possessions to be generous, in your name, even to those who exploit me.

Heavenly Father, I accept the truth of your word that you love and care for me deeply. Let my burdens fall from my shoulders this day. Let my anxious thoughts be replaced by thoughts of your care. Thank You, Lord, for your great and awesome love, I pray through my Deliverer, Jesus. Amen.

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