Humility Before God and Others

“My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?” James 2:1-5

Prayer: Lord, I recognize you as the source of my strength and ability. Therefore, let me be thankful for the success in my own life and in the lives of others. All the glory goes to you alone. Father, when I’m tempted to grab position or honor, help me to remember that self-praise ends in meager satisfaction. Let me find my joy in honoring you with a servant heart. Thank you for your many blessings. Help me to remember that true promotion and favor comes only from you. Give me a heart filled with compassion and love for those who can’t repay the kindness you call me to share.

Father, when I’m tempted to bask in applause, remind me that it’s you who have extended blessing. Keep working through me. Father, please keep my heart soft and pliable. When things aren’t going well, help me listen to the Godly counsel of others. Lord, you know all about me, yet you invite me to come before you, freely revealing the contents of my heart. What a privilege it is to build my life around you, the one who loves me unconditionally. I thank you in the name of Jesus, my Savior and Lord. Amen.

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