



## "Humble" in the Bible

Philippians 2:8 "Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." NASB

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(A) Exodus 10:3 What did Pharaoh refuse to do? \_\_\_\_\_

(B) 1 Kings 21:29 How did the evil Ahab delay God's judgment? \_\_\_\_\_

(C) 2 Chronicles 7:14 What must those called by His name do besides pray, seek God and repent for God to hear and answer their prayer? \_\_\_\_\_

(D) 1 Peter 5:5-6 What are we to do under the mighty hand of God? \_\_\_\_\_

(E) Explain James 4:6-10.

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(G) Proverbs 6:1-5 What is the recommendation for getting out of trouble? \_\_\_\_\_

(H) Ephesians 4:2 We are to walk with gentleness, patience, tolerance, and what? \_\_\_\_\_

(I) Philippians 2:3 Who are we to regard as more important? \_\_\_\_\_

(J) Explain "humility" as it is used in Colossians 3:12-13.

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(L) Hebrews 2:9 For how long was Jesus made lower than the angels? \_\_\_\_\_

(M) John 13:15 What example is Jesus talking about? \_\_\_\_\_

(N) 1 Peter 2:21 What did Christ do for us? \_\_\_\_\_

(O) What does Philippians 2:5-11 mean?

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----- "HUMBLE" POSSIBLE ANSWERS -----

- (A) Exodus 10:3 What did Pharaoh refuse to do? Humble himself before God  
(B) 1 Kings 21:29 How did the evil Ahab delay God's judgment? Humbled Himself before God  
(C) 2 Chronicles 7:14 What must those called by His name do besides pray, seek God and repent for God to hear and answer their prayer? Humble themselves  
(D) 1 Peter 5:5-6 What are we to do under the mighty hand of God? Humble ourselves

(E) **James 4:6-10.** In verse 6 James alludes to Proverbs 3:34 as the basis for what he is saying, starting with the "therefore" in verse 7. Submit to God but resist the devil. Draw near to God James says, but how? Cleanse yourself from sin, purify your thoughts focusing them on God. As you try to do this and realize how helpless you really are make yourself humble before Him with regret and remorse for the things you have done. Then an amazing thing happens -- He gives us grace to overcome and lifts us up.

- (F) Numbers 12:3 Who was the most humble man of his day? Moses  
(G) Proverbs 6:1-5 What is the recommendation for getting out of trouble? Humble yourself and beg your neighbor for mercy  
(H) Ephesians 4:2 We are to walk with gentleness, patience, tolerance, and what? Humility  
(I) Philippians 2:3 Who are we to regard as more important? Others

(J) **Colossians 3:12-13.** Humility is one of five attributes of the heart that enable you to have tolerance for others and forgive others. It is humility which should remind us of all the things God has forgiven us. Which of these five attributes – compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience – do you already have and which are still in your future? What is your plan to improve your heart? (Hint: Keep reading Colossians 3)

- (K) Matthew 11:29 Who has a humble heart? Jesus Mt 11:25  
(L) Hebrews 2:9 For how long was Jesus made lower than the angels? A little while  
(M) John 13:15 What example is Jesus talking about? Washing their feet Jn 13:5-17  
(N) 1 Peter 2:21 What did Christ do for us? He suffered for us

(O) **Philippians 2:5-11.** Jesus Christ, to Whom every creature with a knee will pay homage, Who is above all else, and totally worthy, humbled Himself to the point of death for the sake of us, who are neither worthy nor good. We have done too much wrong in our lives to retain the right to hold resentment or withhold our good will. Jesus Christ has given us a clear example to follow. If He Who did no wrong was not arrogant and prideful, from where do we get our arrogance and pride? Not from Him. From Him we get salvation and grace and hope and love and every good thing.

**For further thought:**

- [p] What does Psalm 113:6 mean?  
[q] Compare Proverbs 29:23 and Isaiah 2:11 with Matthew 23:12. What is the same? What is different?  
[r] In Psalm 138:6 it says the Lord regards the lowly, but knows the haughty from far away. Is this an example of the Lord humbling Himself? How do you know?  
[s] What is Isaiah 57:15 talking about?  
[t] "Humble" or related words like "humbled" and "humility" appear almost 100 times in the Bible. With a concordance you should be able to find many more passages to read and discuss in context.