

Session



Personal Study Guide

A Gift of Humility

December 13, 2020

Introduction

? What comes to mind when you hear the word *humble*?

? How can you tell if a person is humble? Why is humility something worth pursuing?

1. A Stern Warning (Luke 3:7-9)

? How would you describe John the Baptist's tone in verses 7-9?


? What warning did John the Baptist give to his listeners? What did this stern warning delivered by John the Baptist reveal about his motivation in preaching and serving the Lord?

? Application: Are you ever tempted to hold back the truth of God's Word because of how it may make you look? Where might this be an indication of pride and a lack of humility?


2. Clear Encouragement (Luke 3:10-14)


? What was John the Baptist's answer? What did he tell them to do? How might this apply in our context?


? What would've been strange about John's counsel to the tax collectors and soldiers in this passage? What is counter cultural about true repentance in our culture?

 Application: How do you display that God's Word is enough to meet your own spiritual needs and the needs of those to whom you minister? Do you humbly accept the provision that God has given you for your soul? Or do you seek to supplement with other things? What needs to change?


3. Hearty Deflection (Luke 3:15-18)


 What were those who were following John asking themselves? What was his response?


 How might he have been tempted to respond differently?

 Application: Who takes the center stage of your life? Is your life all about you or about Christ? How would those closest to you answer that question?

Conclusion

 What do you think are some of the impediments that keep Christians from walking in humility? What keeps you from this?

 How is humility tied to the core truths of being a follower of Jesus?

 Where is God calling you to be humble currently? How does it take humility to share the gospel with others without changing the message to please your audience?

Daily Readings

- Monday - Matthew 11:2-11
- Tuesday - Isaiah 7:14
- Wednesday - Genesis 12:1-3

- Thursday - 2 Samuel 7:12-13
- Friday - Isaiah 53:12
- Saturday - Psalm 16:10