

## ***Humility in the Church***

**Matthew 18:1-14**

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### Main Point:

Just like you, your fellow believers are dear to the Lord; therefore, humble yourself and treat them accordingly.

1. As a sinner, you have a natural tendency to exalt yourself.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. As a Christian, your life should be characterized by humility instead.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. In humility, receive one another.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. In humility, seek to promote greater godliness in one another.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Live in humility towards one another because, just like you, your fellow believers are dear to the Lord.

**Proverbs 22:15a** <sup>15</sup> Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child ... (NKJV)

**Philippians 2:3-4** <sup>3</sup> *Let nothing be done* through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. (NKJV)

**Mark Ross** “It is when we see ourselves correctly that we can treat others correctly.”

**1 Peter 4:9** <sup>9</sup> *Be hospitable to one another* without grumbling. (NKJV)

**Mark Ross** “They are his, and how we treat those who are his is taken by him as the way we treat him.”

**Romans 15:7** <sup>7</sup> Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. (NKJV)

**1 Corinthians 8:13** <sup>13</sup> Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble. (NKJV)

**Romans 14:13** <sup>13</sup> ... Let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in *our* brother's way. (NKJV)

**Hebrews 10:24** <sup>24</sup> ... Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, (ESV)

**Hebrews 1:14** <sup>14</sup> Are they [angels] not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? (NKJV)

**Mark Ross** “Each one of those who comes to Christ is important to him, and each must be important to us.”