

Sermon Notes

Humbling Ourselves Is Necessary

Matthew 18:1-4

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Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030

The disciples ask, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”

You must change to even enter the kingdom of heaven.

Child-like dependence on Jesus to meet our need

That requires humbling ourselves.

**Humbling ourselves is necessary for us to do the thing
that will get us into the kingdom of heaven - trust Jesus.**

Whoever will humble him/her self is the greatest in the kingdom.

(Ref.: Philippians 2:3-8)

Humility is necessary for thinking of others as more important than ourselves.

**Humbling ourselves is necessary for us to do the things
that make us great in the kingdom of heaven.**

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Application questions for 6/29/2014 sermon
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How do you think that you had to humble yourself before you would trust Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins and salvation?

(For example: I needed to recognize that I wasn't achieving true happiness and success with my earthly pursuits. That I felt an emptiness, that I couldn't solve, but I thought Jesus might. Or, it might just be recognizing you can't forgive your own sins and needed Jesus.)

Jesus lowered His position, that although He was God, He became a man, to serve us by dying on a cross (as recorded in Philippians 2). What does that teach you about humility?

What was the result of the self-assessment you did in service? And what kind of feedback did your spouse/parent/friend give you when you asked them after service? Does your life show signs of humility? How much work do you still have to do?

What do you think needs to happen?

Do you think is a worthwhile exchange to enchant pursuing greatness here on earth for pursuing greatness in the kingdom of heaven?