

### **Weekly Services**

**Sunday Morning** 

Bible Study 9:45 AM

Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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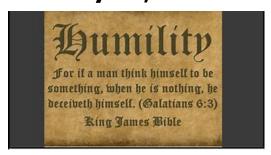
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## **Humility Hallmarks**

Humility is one virtue that does not point to itself as a virtue. The more you identify your own humility, the less of it there is to identify. Indeed, the more you love your humility, the less of it there is to love. One's humility must be lived, not loved.

But how does one live their humility? Below are some humility hallmarks that may humble you. When I look into this ten-point humility mirror, I don't like what I see. Take a look for yourself:

- 1. Humble people are filled with gratitude even amid suffering.
- 2. Humble people see repentance as the soil from which love grows.
- 3. Humble people are not easily offended.
- 4. Humble people view others as more important than themselves (see).
- 5. Humble people do not live for the applause of others.
- 6. Humble people welcome reproof and are less defensive.
- 7. Humble people are content to be eclipsed by others.
- 8. Humble people are less critical of others, especially in public.
- 9. Humble people make time for others.
- 10. Humble people serve others.

Consider the first point. When I suffer, I feel more anger and blame in me than gratitude. On point #2, I often see repentance as an item on my checklist rather than as good soil from which love can grow. Point #4 is backed up by Paul in Philippians 2:3. Skipping to point six, I am especially humbled. Just criticize me and see how defensive I get.

But it does not make me humble to admit in a bulletin article that I feel humbled. A quotable French writer named François Duc de La Rochefoucauld (1613-1680) once observed, "We would rather speak ill of ourselves than not talk about ourselves at all." In other words, real humility does not require putting yourself down, rather it requires getting over yourself. As Benjamin Whichcote said, "None are so empty as those who are full of themselves."

The humility hallmarks above are less about putting ourselves up or down than about just getting over ourselves.