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**Maintaining A Low Profile**

Matthew 5:5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. (KJV)

A lot of things happen to those that are meek, and as we are finding out through the Word all of it is good. We also see that those that are of a humble and contrite spirit, which is another way of describing meek, are in the blessed column also.

Isaiah 29:18-20 And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. (19) The meek also shall increase their joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. (20) For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for iniquity are cut off: (KJV)

The Bible is pretty consistent throughout in the fact that those that are not meek and humble will not have a happy ending at all. We were all deaf and blind to the realm of the Spirit before we humbled ourselves before the Lord and let Him take over. In order to maintain that joyfulness, and live a life worth rejoicing about, you will need to keep yourself in a meek frame of mind.

Ephesians 4:1-3 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, (2) With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; (3) Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (KJV)

That word ‘vocation’ means a calling or an invitation; which given the fact that it is coming from God Himself is one we definitely want to maintain. As we see again illustrated, it is with a lowliness and meekness that is a must in order to do so Church.

2 Timothy 2:24-26 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, (25) In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; (26) And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will. (KJV)

We are surrounded by a society today of people who pound on their chests and act like animals, thinking that is what a real man is. The Lord’s version of a real man of God is quite the opposite if one desires to maintain a healthy long lasting relationship with our Father in heaven. You don’t always have to win an argument or pummel someone else to prove you are a man of God.

James 3:13-16 Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. (14) But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. (15) This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. (16) For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. (KJV)

Some people think being a Christian is someone who is always on the fight ready to throw down at every opportunity that comes along. However, for those that know the truth they find that our Lord’s realm is totally different than all the strife and contention we see going on in this fallen world of man and their haughty high minded ways.

1 Peter 5:3-5 Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. (4) And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. (5) Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. (KJV)

You know, the kingdom of heaven has a strict dress code and one that will be enforced in order to gain access to it. So today Church, are you dressed to kill; you know dying to that old nasty high and mighty nature so that you can walk in the newness of life?