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Beatitudes: THE MEEK

Matthew 5:3-11: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

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The way of humility.

First instinct- Competition/ Comparison

Luke 22:24: A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest.

Reality- We are made in God’s image, endowed with inherent dignity and worth.

Luke 3:22b: ...And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

“I am made in the image of God, a person of dignity and worth.”

New Posture- Honor inherent worth

Luke 3:25-27: “Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

John 13: 14: “Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.”

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