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**Maintaining A Low Profile**

Matthew 11:28-30 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (29) Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. (30) For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. (KJV)

Thayers definition for ‘meek’:

4239 praus- mildness of disposition, gentleness of spirit, meekness; Meekness toward God is that disposition of spirit in which we accept His dealings with us as good, and therefore without disputing or resisting. In the Old Testament, the meek are those wholly relying on God rather than their own strength to defend them against injustice. Thus, meekness toward evil people means knowing God is permitting the injuries they inflict, that He is using them to purify His elect, and that He will deliver His elect in His time. (Isa. 41:17, Lk. 18:1-8) Gentleness or meekness is the opposite of self-assertiveness and self-interest. It stems from trust in God's goodness and control over the situation. The gentle person is not occupied with self at all. This is a work of the Holy Spirit, not of the human will (Gal. 5:23).

You know, your life wouldn’t be such a burden and so difficult if you understood the Lord and how He would like to see His people operate in a bit more meekness. In fact our Lord Himself was described as being meek and lowly in heart, and look where He ended up. You too can and should end up in the same place as well; all you need to do is follow the same simple formula of meekness.

Psalms 37:9-11 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth. (10) For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be. (11) But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. (KJV)

All this nonsense that we are surrounded with in this fallen world is not going to last much longer. However, for those that are meek in spirit, well, they will last forever and inherit a place much better than what we see today.

Matthew 21:4-6 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, (5) Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. (6) And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, (KJV)

Again we see our Lord being described as meek, who humbled Himself knowing that His kingdom was not of this world, but rather a much better one awaited Him once He fulfilled His calling.

Philippians 2:5-8 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: (6) Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: (7) But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: (8) And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. (KJV)

Thus the reason why we take the time on a daily basis to be reminded of the fact that we need to humble ourselves daily so that we can be ready to carry out the task that God is asking of each and every one of us as members of the body of Christ, even to the point of taking up our own Spiritual crosses and dying daily to our own desires.

Philippians 2:9-12 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: (10) That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; (11) And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (12) Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. (KJV)

Again we see that when there is some humility on our end then He will lift us up to His heavenly realm also, so that we can see who we are in Christ and hear the message that He has for us personally.