

## **Prayer Focus**

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## **Surrender**

What is humility?

Andrew Murray's book, *"humility, The Journey Toward Holiness"* is enlightening.

"When we see that humility is something infinitely deeper than contrition, and accept it as our participation in the life of Jesus, we shall begin to learn that it is our true nobility, and that to prove it in being servants of all is the highest fulfillment of our destiny, as men created in the image of God." (preface)

"God as the ever-living, ever-present, ever-acting One, who upholds all things by the word of His power, and in whom all things exist, meant that the relationship of His creatures to Himself would be one of unceasing, absolute dependence." Andrew Murray, *"humility, The Journey Toward Holiness,"* pg. 15.

"True humility comes when before God we see ourselves as nothing, have put aside self, and let God be all. The soul that does this, and can say, 'I have lost myself in finding you,' no longer compares itself with others. It has given up forever any thought of self in God's presence; it meets its fellowmen as one who is nothing and seeks nothing for itself; who is a servant of God and for His sake is a servant of all." Ibid. 55.

"May we have true faith in the sufficiency of God and admit to the inefficiency of self, that by God's power we will serve one another in love." Id. 58.

Jesus is the ultimate example to us of what humility means – total submission, absolute trust, utter dependence, faithful obedience.

<sup>#5</sup>Have this attitude in yourselves, which also was in Messiah Yeshua, <sup>6</sup>Who, though existing in the form of God, did not consider being equal to God a thing to be grasped. <sup>7</sup>But He emptied Himself—taking on the form of a slave, becoming the likeness of men and being found in appearance as a man. <sup>8</sup>He humbled Himself—becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>For this reason God highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>that at the name of Yeshua every knee should bow, in heaven and on the earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue profess that Yeshua the Messiah is Lord—to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:5-11.

*"Father the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true, God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." John 17:1b-3* 

## <u>Pray</u>

• Abba, we thank You that You saved us. We thank You for Your perfect plan from before the beginning of time, before the very foundation of the earth to rescue us, and make a way to restore us through Your own sacrifice.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Messiah. He chose us in the Messiah before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before Him in love." Ephesians 1:3-4

• Abba, help us to more fully realize the joy that we have, and to rejoice that our names have been written in the heavens!

"And Yeshua said to them, 'I was watching satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names have been written in the heavens." Luke 10:18-20

• We praise Your name, Jesus. You are worthy of it all.

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• We pray, oh Lord, that we would be fully surrendered to You, forgetful of ourselves and humble, oh Lord.

<sup>"6</sup>But He gives more grace. Therefore, He says: 'God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.' <sup>7</sup>Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up." James 4:6-10

• Abba, we pray that we would walk worthy of Your high calling.

"<sup>1</sup>Therefore I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you were called—<sup>2</sup> with complete humility and gentleness, with patience, putting up with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to keep the unity of the Ruach in the bond of shalom.

<sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Ruach, just as you also were called in one hope of your calling;

<sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one immersion;

<sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But to each one of us grace was given in keeping with the measure of Messiah's gift." Ephesians 4:1-7

• We pray that we would be fully surrendered to You, oh Lord, that You may mold us, shape us, and fully use us to accomplish Your purposes on this earth and for Your glory, Amen.

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