

God Gives Grace to the Humble.

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Matthew 18: 1-4

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“Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”
And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of
them and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn
and become like children, you will never enter the
kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like
this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.”*

1. There is no such thing as a G.O.A.T.

James 4 (ESV)

¹⁴ . . . yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

Psalm 90 (ESV)

¹² So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

2. Humility is the pathway to the KINGDOM.

Matthew 5 (ESV)

³ (Jesus said) “Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

3. Humility is the pathway to GREATNESS.

Matthew 18 (ESV)

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Application: How can I pursue humility?

- Children acknowledge their WEAKNESS.
- Children ask for DIRECTION.
- Children TRUST.

Table Group Questions:

Q: Who in your life has modeled humility?
What about their life stood out to you?

Q: It’s easy to fall into pride and self-sufficiency. What are some practical things you could do to stay humble this week?

Q: What’s one way you could better demonstrate child-like faith this week?