

Character Trait February 11-15 is Humility

Ephesians 5:1, "Therefore, be imitators of God"

CHARACTER: the qualities built into an individual's life that determine their responses, regardless of circumstances.

Humility: Acknowledging that my achievements are the result of the investment that others make in my life.

Weekly Verse: Col 3:12 "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

Bible Story: I Corinthians 12 discusses how each of us are needed by others, just as the body is comprised of different parts that are all necessary and valuable.

Quote: I saw this quote over the weekend and it made me laugh, even though it's more about character than humility. "You can judge a man's character by how well he returns his shopping cart."

Leadership: Think about Moses and the position that God called him to—leading a large group of people (who tended to be ungrateful and complain) out of slavery, through the desert, and to the Promised Land. Although he was probably one of the most powerful men in the world at that time, Numbers 12:3 tells us that Moses was a humble man, more humble than anyone else on the face of the earth. What a great way to have your leadership described!

Application:

Refer to your last 1-2 years. What would you say are some of your more important accomplishments? Write down 4 to 5 of them.

What are some reasons for your success?

Were there unusual difficulties you had to overcome?

What two or three things do you feel you have learned?

What did you particularly like about the last 1-2 years?

There are always a few negatives. What would you say you liked least about your experience the last 1-2 years?

Can you make a list of the other people who have helped you be successful and have helped you through the tough times?

Discussion Questions:

Give one recent example of an athlete, politician, singer, or movie star who has publicly demonstrated humility.

Give one recent example of an athlete, politician, singer, or movie star who has publicly demonstrated pride.