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## Humility

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### TODAY'S READING: 1 Peter 5

Peter places the responsibility of humility on us. We must choose to humble ourselves; we must decide to do it. *Humble* literally means “to accept lowly mindedness,” or easier to understand, choosing an attitude that does not think itself too good to serve God by serving others.

Peter is saying we should simply submit to God's will, even when we do not understand it completely. I don't know about you, but when things are not going just as I think they should I look up and ask God what is going on? Peter is telling us even if it does not make sense right now eventually it will, but right now submit to Him by putting all your anxieties into the hands of the One who cares about you.

In Charles Swindoll's book, *Three Steps Forward, Two Steps Back*, he tells the story about a woman who was returning home from the market, carrying a big heavy basket on her head, when Jesus drove by in a buggy. He stopped and kindly offered to drive her home. She thanked Him and got into the buggy with her basket. On the way, Jesus glanced over at her, still holding her basket over her head. He asked her to lay the basket down in the cart and rest. The woman naively replied, “Oh Jesus, it is enough that Your buggy is carrying me. I should not ask You to carry my basket too!” Have you ever done the same with God? Every single day, God carries believers through the day. Yet we still insist on carrying our heavy baskets full of worries about family, kids, spouse, money, job, etc. We need to be continually reminded to lay down every care at the foot of the cross, putting them back into God's capable hands.

When I first believed in Christ a young lady named Kelly Willard sang, I do not even remember the name of the song, but the refrain said, “I will cast all my cares upon you, I will lay all of my burdens down at your feet, and anytime I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.”

**PRAYER:** Father, thank You for loving us and being willing to carry our burdens for us if only we will humble ourselves before You.

### TOMORROW'S READING: 2 Peter 1

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