

1. **Launchers:** Why is seeking to not be noticed, or to go clandestine, counter-cultural?
2. **Worship God:** James 4:6-8, 10

Worship the LORD for His majesty and glory. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His supremacy and yet His grace and mercy given the miracle of His Incarnation in Christ.

3. **Sermon Reflection: “Humility”**

#### **Realistic Humility**

- How is humility the ultimate realism?
- What is a case study of yours where you met somebody with a greater power? How did you react and what were you thinking?
- Do God exist for you, or do you exist for your Maker? Describe the ways you have lived under each of those perspectives. Which one is true?

#### **Vs. Dis-Grace & Destruction**

- In our arrogance how have we sought to lay claim to God’s place?
- Why do we result to reproach or shame in our dis-grace?
- Pride doesn’t take pleasure in just having something, so what does it take pleasure in? Why is this the root to all that is wrong in the world? (Think: Vertically towards our Maker, and horizontally at each other)

#### **Or A Redemptive Turn**

- Given how we respond when were disgraced, how is Jesus’ love a miracle?
- How is it possible that disgraced people like us can actually gain honor?
- If pride comes before the Fall, what does Humility come before? Why does this make no sense to Satan?

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer: You Can Pray with Us**

1. Worship the LORD for His majesty and glory. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His supremacy and yet His grace and mercy given the miracle of His Incarnation in Christ.

2. How have you lived (*even if subtly*) trying to replace God as Ruler of the universe? *And how can you see the effects of being wrong?* Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and heal you.

3. Give thanks to Jesus for His wisdom and power in humbling Himself to save us. Thank Him for His ability — by His death and resurrection — to leverage all the things we dread to give us all the things we dream of.

4. Who do you know (other than yourself) that struggles with humility? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to see the futility of pride and to see the glory of humbling ourselves.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to humble yourself. Pray that He would help you see God’s holiness, to see how wrong you’ve been, and to see the miracle of Jesus’ grace to save us when we humble ourselves before Him.

5. **Mission:** Our mission as Christians is a joyful sub-mission, as we enjoy our neediness for Him as our Father, our Savior, our Helper, and all in all—our God.