



1st September 2019
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST –
PROPER 17
Being humble



SHARE

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

What does it mean to be humble?

2

Jesus says that if we put ourselves above others, we will be humbled; but if we humble ourselves, we will be honoured. What did Jesus mean?

3

What are some ways we can show humble service to others?



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

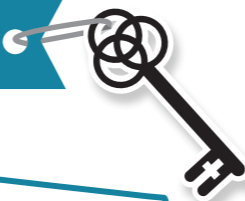
S	Luke 14:1,7-14	Humility and hospitality
M	Luke 14:15-23	God's hospitality to the lowly
T	Genesis 18:1-8	Abraham shows hospitality
W	Hebrews 13: 1-8,15-16	Show hospitality to strangers
T	Matthew 20:20-28	A request for seats of honour
F	1 Peter 4:7-11	Be hospitable to one another
S	Proverbs 25: 6-7	Do not exalt yourself
S	Luke 14:25-33	The cost of being a disciple



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, teach us to be humble just like you. Help us to welcome all people in your name. Amen.



BLESS

God be with you today, in all that you do and all that you say.

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GREEN is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

Creative Response

When eating at the house of an important Pharisee, Jesus said: *When you host a lunch or banquet don't invite your friends, brothers, relatives and rich neighbours for they will invite you back and that will be your only reward.*

Make plans to invite someone you don't know very well to share a meal at your home.

Think together about how you can work as a household to make them feel as welcome as possible.



mealtime prayer

Lord, you care for the poor and lift up the humble. May we be thankful and never grumble. Amen.

verse for the week

"If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honoured."

LUKE 14:11

Service



Allocate days during this week when different household members will be honoured by others.

Set a special place at your table for the honoured person and talk about acts of service that can be done on their special day (e.g. make their bed, tidy their room, do chores on their behalf).

At the end of the week share what it was like to be served by others and to serve them.