

Later that same week, a letter came with a gift of \$50,000 for the college. The spirit of service on the part of the president had made a positive impression on the visitor. Because the giver saw a man who was not too proud to help where needed, even though it involved what some might term a menial task, he was moved to contribute generously to the school.

The lesson is clear. God rewards those who take a lowly place. The Saviour Himself set the pattern by becoming man and giving His life for us (Phil. 2:3-11).

Keep in mind Jesus' words in Luke 14:11. "He who humbles himself will be exalted." That's humility's reward! --RWD

*God often uses lowly ones
His purpose to fulfill,
Because it takes a humble heart
To carry out His will. --DJD*

True service is love in working clothes.



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Information for Visitors.

- * We're glad you're here. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're very welcome to join us for a cuppa after church.
- * a Cubbies programme is normally provided, during the sermon for the **toddler to Kindy age bracket.**

Humility's Reward

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted. --Luke 14:11

A small Bible college was struggling financially. The buildings were shabby, and staff salaries were meagre.

A stranger visited the campus one day and asked a man who was washing a wall where he could find the principal. "I think you can see him at his house at noon," was the reply.

The visitor went as directed and met the principal, whom he recognised as the same man who was scrubbing a wall earlier in the day, though he was now in different clothes.



Meat Our Rights



In Philippians 2:1-11 Jesu's attitude to His rights are described in 4 ways

1. Non-_____, verses 6, 1-5, 4:2

(Philippians 2:6) "Who, being in very nature God," [paraphrase]

(Philippians 2:6) Though he was God, he did not demand and cling to his rights as God. [another paraphrase]



2. _____, verse 7

(Philippians 2:7) "but emptied Himself, taking the very nature of a servant, and appeared in human form. [paraphrases]

(Luke 9:23) "Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."



3. _____, verses 8, 5

(Acts 8:33) "In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth."



4. _____, verses 8, 9-11

(Hebrews 5:7-8) "... in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, {8} though He was a Son, yet He **learned obedience** by the things which He suffered."

(Psalms 40:6-8) "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; My ears You have opened. Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require. {7} Then I said, "Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me. {8} **I delight to do Your will**, O my God, And Your law is within my heart."

(Isaiah 50:5-6) "The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And **I was not rebellious**, Nor did I turn away. {6} I gave My back to those who struck Me, And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting."

(John 4:34) "Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work."

(John 15:10) ""If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love."

(John 8:29) ""... The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him.""

(John 12:49) ""For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak."

(John 17:4) ""I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do."

(Proverbs 15:33) "The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom, And before honor is humility."

(Matthew 23:12) ""And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

