SERMON NOTES & LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

LEARN HUMBLY, Dan Laurenzo 9.27.09

ONE MONTH CHALLENGE: What would life be like if we fully gave ourselves to God for 30 days?

Humility is a slippery subject. How will we know when we are "growing in humility" (!)

Fundamental Reality: _____ is humble. Though simple and self- sufficient, He reaches _____
Philippians 2: 1- 11

How do we progress in humility? What choices do we make?

1. **OPENNESS: Develop a _____ _____. Don't skim. Enagage deeply enough to gather _____ _____.**

Mary Magdalene John 20: 16 - "My Teacher"

The Disciples: Asking not always "telling"

.Luke 11: 1-2 Matt 17: 19 John 9: 1- 2

Journal note: "Y" - yesterday

2. **POSTURE: Lean on Christ for _____ _____. Don't strive, "over- push".**

John 15: 1- 11 Vine/ Branch Metaphor

- a vital, animated connection. "Remain in me"
- "Apart from me you can do nothing" v. 5
- Could it really be about _____? V. 11
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The internal message that sabotages both dependence & Sabbath rest: " I____ __ ____ _____"

3. **DIRECTION: Walk with ___ _____, but walk _____. Neither the "vain me" or "the broken" me invalidate the power of God.**

2 Corinthians 4: 6- 7

Galatians 2: 20

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

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1. What encouraged you in this week's teaching? What challenged you?
2. How do you respond to the idea that "God is Humble"? What evidence do you see for this in Scripture? How might this impact your worship?
3. What areas of life are you prone to live by the adage "it's up to me"? What can you do to find a more joyful place of dependence in this? What is the difference between "striving" and healthy responsibility?
4. Who has modeled for you a lifestyle that demonstrates "Walking with a limp, but walking forward"? Describe this. Read through 2 Corinthians 4: 5- 15 – in real terms, what is Paul describing?

TODAY'S CHALLENGE: (Remember to watch for God to move this week and tell us your testimony!)

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I will pray for _____ to come to Jesus