

Advent: A Time for Humility

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Text: *John 1:6-8; 19-28; 3:30*

Humility Accepts the Truth About Self

- Humility does not think _____ of self.
- Humility embraces the truth about _____.
- Humility recognizes that whatever significance we achieve _____ and is meant to serve Him.

Humility Prepares People for Another

- People are looking for _____.
- Our role is to point people _____.

Humility Knows Who to Promote

- Humility involves _____ for God.
- Humility distinguishes God's people from _____.
- God _____ and _____ the humble.

Life Enrichment

What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- Think about popular, famous, and powerful people in our society. Who do you think is one of the most arrogant among them? What are the indicators of their arrogance?
- Why do you think that we struggle to have an honest view of ourselves? Which do you think we struggle with most - thinking too low or too high of ourselves? Why?
- Considering how popular and famous he was, how do you think John the Baptist was able to keep his self-evaluation honest?
- Why are we constantly on the look out for the next "great leader"? Why are we willing to follow leaders of questionable character?
- Why do you think Christians sometimes become more enamored of popular teachers than Jesus? How can we resist the temptation to point people to human leaders instead of Jesus?
- When you realize that God walks with and dwells among the humble, why do you think we spend so little time talking about and developing humility?
- What steps can we take to grow in humility this week? What role does reverence for God play in developing humility?