



Pisgah Lutheran
Church

Lexington, SC

February, 2012

Something for Your Heart

"Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you." (Romans 12:3)

The word humility means different things to different people. It's easy to think of it as a kind of performance, being careful never to do anything that "sounds" proud or arrogant or stuck up. And it's true that bragging and smugness aren't exactly humble. But God cares a lot more about what's going on in our hearts than on the stage of our external lives

Others think of humility as a kind of self-hatred. "I'm so stupid. I'm so ugly. I'm such a jerk." But that's not true humility, either. That's just name-calling, and it is just as self-focused as pride and boasting.

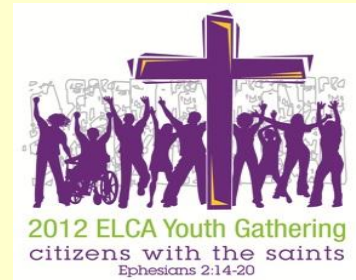
No, humility is best understood as a comparison, but not of ourselves to others. True humility is found when we compare ourselves to God. Why God? Because He's the only standard for what is truly good, truly powerful, truly holy, and truly intelligent.

Humility is the ability to look at God and myself and realize how deeply sinful I am in comparison to His pure holiness; how fragile in comparison to His limitless power; how short-lived in comparison to His eternal existence; how foolish in comparison to His absolutely perfect understanding the universe. Humility gets that I am nothing apart from Him and have everything in relationship with Him.

Think: Why does it not make sense to base our view of ourselves on comparisons with other people? If we base our view of ourselves on a comparison to God, how would we most naturally think about ourselves? How would we think about Him?

Pray: Ask God to help you to not think of yourself more highly than you should, but to think of yourself with an honest, serious judgment.

from Planet Wisdom



We have around \$3800. I still haven't heard what hotel we've been assigned so it's hard to know how much more we're going to need. For now I'm planning on another \$3000. Our dinner has the potential for bringing in a lot, if we **get out and sell those tickets!** We'll meet again on the 19th.

Today's Thots

A long-haul trucker offered this tip for staying awake on the road: "Put a \$100 bill in your left hand and hold it out the window."

A penny saved...isn't much of a discount.

All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

Are you trying to fight today's battles with tomorrow's strength?

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

Asked to write a composition entitled, "What I'm thankful for on Thanksgiving," little Johnny wrote, "I'm thankful that I'm not a turkey."

Because of God's grace, failure is never final.

Careful...If you set your expectations too high, you could miss the glory staring you in the face.

February Birthdays

13th Alex Jezowski



Uh, That's Funny?

Why were the teacher's eyes crossed?
She couldn't control her pupils.

How can you get four suits for a dollar?
Buy a deck of cards



Potent Quotables

"I like a teacher who gives you something to take home to think about besides homework."
~ Edith Ann

"Education is what remains after one has forgotten everything one learned in school."
~ Albert Einstein

Faith is to believe what you do not yet see; the reward for this faith is to see what you believe."
~ Saint Augustine

February Highlights

Watch bulletin, email, and Facebook for reminders!

February 1

Youth Point 6:30-8:30pm

February 4

Souper Bowl Service Blitz. We will leave at 7:15am

February 5

Youth Sunday/Souper Bowl
Confirmation 4pm
Youth 5:30pm
Youth Choir 7pm

February 8

Girls Night out 6:30-8:30pm

February 15

Boys Night Out 6:30-8:30pm

February 19

Youth Sunday/Souper Bowl
Confirmation 4pm
Youth 5:30pm
Youth Choir 7pm
Youth Gathering 7pm

February 19

Lenten Meal 5pm

Please sign up!



Join us on Thursday mornings for Breakfast Club at 7am at Burger King on Longs Pond Road.

Forgettable Fact

99% of people cannot lick their elbow

Parting Shot

Shot my first turkey yesterday - scared everyone in the frozen food section. It was awesome! Gettin' old is so much fun...