



Connect Group study

John 12 (part 2)

In a popular Christian song by Brenton Brown, the closing line is “You are the God of the humble, You are the humble King”. To have great power and great humility simultaneously is a very rare thing; and yet we have this combination in perfect balance in the example of Jesus. This study investigates this reality.

Read John 12:12-17

Reflect

Q1. Think about powerful world leaders that you are aware of. Which ones do you respect the most and least? Explain your reasons.

Q2. Who is Jesus revealed to be in this passage, and what does His mode of transport reveal about His nature?

Q3. If the world really understood that the God who created everything (John 1:3) revealed Himself as a King riding on a donkey, how do you think they would feel about Him?

Q4. How do you respond to people in positions of authority who carry themselves with humility? Explain your answer.

Q5. What mindset are we supposed to have as Christians according to Philippians 2:5-8 and what does this mean for us?

Respond

Q6. 1 Peter 5:5 instructs us to ‘clothe ourselves with humility’. How do you think we can live out this principle?

Q7. Is there an area of your life, or a relationship that you have in which God is challenging you to exercise more humility? What specifically do you feel He’s asking you to do?

Key verse(s)

In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." (1 Peter 5:5 NIV)