



Humility

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience (Colossians 3:12)

Humility is described as meekness, lowliness, servility, submissiveness, and lack of pride. Humility is a heart attitude, not merely an outward demeanor. It is possible to display an outward appearance of humility, but have an inward attitude of pride and arrogance. We must pray, confess, and release our grip on pride. Then we will hear from God; He will forgive us; and He will heal our land. (Ephesians 4:2)

When we come to God as sinners, we come in complete humility, recognizing that we need Him to guide us and direct us with His wisdom.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. (James 3:13)

We must die to ourselves, so that we can live as new creatures in Christ.
He must become greater; I must become less. (John 3:30)

- Consider John 3:30 (above). How does this scripture pertain to your life? How can you and the United Methodist Church become a new creation in Christ?
- How does pride prevent you and the United Methodist Church from humbling ourselves?
- What do you need to submit to God?
- How can we, as the United Methodist Church, humble ourselves before God?
- Consider Proverbs 11:2

When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.
Pray for humility in the United Methodist Church so that God can bless His church with wisdom.

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