

THE BLESSEDNESS OF MEEKNESS
(Matthew 5:5)

- I. The _____ of Meekness
- A. Usually thought of as _____ and _____
- B. Definitions of the quality
1. “The exercise of confidence in God’s _____ and _____ that _____ our responses to people and circumstances”
 2. “The absence of pretension...[demonstrating] _____ and self-control...freedom from malice and a _____ spirit”
 3. “_____ completely surrendered to _____ control”
 4. The _____ of _____
- C. Characteristics of the quality
1. A gentle, humble, patient spirit that would rather _____ self than _____ self (Gen. 13:5-9)
 2. An attitude of inner peace and a capacity to handle the pressures of life without _____, _____, or _____ (1 Sam. 24:5-6; 2 Sam. 16:5-12)
 3. The spirit in which we accept God’s dealings with us as _____ without _____ or _____ (Gen. 45:5, 8; 50:19-20)
- D. _____ demonstration seen only in _____ (Matt. 11:29)
- II. How to _____ Meekness

- A. The Holy Spirit _____ to our _____ (Job 38:1-41:34)
- B. The Holy Spirit _____ in our _____ (1 Kings 19:7)
- C. The Holy Spirit _____ in our _____ (John 21:15-17)

III. The _____ that You Are Meek

- A. _____ evidences
 - 1. _____ to God's _____ (James 1:21; 1 Sam. 3:9)
 - 2. _____ God's _____ (1 Pet. 2:23)
 - 3. Walk _____ of Christ's _____ (Eph. 4:1-2; Col. 3:12)
- B. _____ evidences
 - 1. _____ when _____ (Titus 3:2; 2 Tim. 2:25)
 - 2. Ready to _____ a fallen brother while conscious of our own _____ (Gal. 6:1)
 - 3. Show _____ to _____ (1 Pet. 3:15)
- C. _____ evidences
 - 1. Know inner _____ whatever our outward _____ (Phil 4:11-12; 2 Cor. 4:8-9, 16-18)
 - 2. Live in the _____ of God's _____ (Matt. 5:5)
 - 3. Be more _____ (2 Cor. 10:1; 1 Pet. 4:1)

IV. The _____ of Meekness

- A. Receive their own _____ in "the _____"
- B. Ultimately _____ in the "_____ earth" (Rev. 21:1-3; cf. Ps. 37:1-13)
- C. Provides _____ and _____ in this life

