



CHRISTLIKE CHARACTER

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Character seems to be a thing of the past. There are few who value it, and even fewer who possess it. Why is it absent? What makes having good character so difficult? What is character? Character has been described as “who you are when no one is looking.” Character is not only revealed in your public life, but your private life as well. This bible study seeks to inform us of our need for christlike character and where we can get it.

The source of our character

Read & study 2 Pet. 1:3-11 & John 15:5.

- Where do we get the power to live a Godly life?

The quality of our character

Read and study Phil. 2:5-8 & Matt. 9:36-38.

- What is the most noticeable attribute of Christ you notice in Philipians 2?
- What about Matthew 9?
- How can you grow in these two attributes?

The promise for our character

Read and study Rom. 8:28-30.

- How does this promise affect your pursuit of Christlike character?

The heart of our character

Read & study 1 Sam. 16:7 & Prov. 27:19.

- According to these verses, what does God care about?
- What is more important to God, doing all the right things, or having the right motivation?

Read & study Mark 7:14-23 & James 4:1.

- According to these verses, where are our character problems rooted?
- If we want to attack our issues at the source of the problem, where must we start?

The world and our character

Read & study Matt. 5:13-16 & 1 Peter 2:11-12.

- What do these verses teach us about how our character can be used?
- According to Matt. 5:16 & 1 Pet. 2:12, how does setting a good example with your character effect those who see it?

The process for character

Read & study 2 Cor. 3:18, Eph. 4:20-24, Col. 3:9-10 & Rom. 12:1-2 .

- What are some of the steps toward Christlike character you notice in these verses?

Jesus: Our Example & Our Substitute

Read and study 1 Peter 2:21-25 & Hebrews 12:1-4.

- What is Jesus described as in 1 Peter 2:21?
- According to 1 Peter 2:24, what did Jesus do for all of the times we have fallen short of His example?

Application:

1. What is your next step in pursuing Christlike character?
2. Who do you plan on sharing this next step with?