

CONFIRMATION

“Anger Under His Management”

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Text: Matthew 5:5

“⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.”

We think God needs superstars. We think God needs the high and mighty, the rich and famous. It’s never been that way! Jesus said, *“Look, do you want to be in My kingdom? The ones in My kingdom are spiritually bankrupt, mournful and MEEK.”*

COMPARE/CONTRAST –

Cross References: Colossians 3:12; Psalm 22:26, 25:9, 147:6; Isaiah 29:19...

TO BE MEEK – PLEASE DEFINE

The dictionary definition of meekness, *“deficient in courage”* is NOT the Bible’s definition....

TO BE MEEK – THE RESULTS/REWARDS –

- You’re *“b_____.”*
- You *“i_____ the _____.”*
Huh? SEE Psalm 37...

TO BE MEEK – WHY????

It is so pivotal for so many reasons:

Being meek is C_____. Zephaniah 2:3

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Only those meek can R_____ GOD’S WORD. James 1:21 –

Only the meek can be E_____ IN W_____. 1 Peter 3:15, in the New King James version - *“¹⁵ But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear.”*

Only the meek can BE S_____. Psalm 149:4 makes it clear –

How do you know whether you are meek? Examine your heart. ASK: Do I exhibit self-control? Do I live a life that is rooted in a deep confidence that God is my rock? Do I get angry, do I react, or do I retaliate only when God is dishonored? Do I respond humbly and obediently to the Bible? Do I strive to make peace? (Meekness forgives and restores.) Do I receive criticism well and love those who give it?