

A humble person is merciful and compassionate. Therefore, we can rightly say that Jehovah is humble. As this article will show, we can learn humility from Jehovah's example. We will also examine what we can learn from King Saul, the prophet Daniel, and Jesus about the quality of modesty.

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(Micah 6:8) He has told you, O man, what is good. And what is Jehovah requiring of you? Only to exercise justice, to cherish loyalty, And to walk in modesty with your God!

#### Paragraph 1

(2 Samuel 22:36) You give me your shield of salvation, And your humility makes me great.

(Psalm 18:35) You give me your shield of salvation, Your right hand supports me, And your humility makes me great.

(1 Samuel 16:1) Jehovah eventually said to Samuel: “How long will you mourn for Saul now that I have rejected him from ruling as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I will send you to Jes'se the Beth'le-hem-ite, because I have selected from among his sons a king for myself.”

(1 Samuel 16:10-13) So Jes'se had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jes'se: “Jehovah has not chosen any of these.” 11 Finally Samuel said to Jes'se: “Are these all of your boys?” To this he said: “The youngest has been left out until now; he is pasturing the sheep.” Then Samuel said to Jes'se: “Send for him, because we will not sit down for the meal until he comes here.” 12 So he sent for him and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with beautiful eyes, and handsome in appearance. Then Jehovah said: “Get up, anoint him, for this is the one!” 13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers. And the spirit of Jehovah began to empower

David from that day forward. Samuel later rose and went his way to Ra'mah.

#### Paragraph 2

(Psalm 113:6-8) He stoops down to look on heaven and earth, 7 Raising the lowly from the dust. He lifts up the poor from the ash heap 8 In order to make him sit with nobles, With the nobles of his people.

#### Paragraph 3

(Psalm 25:14) Close friendship with Jehovah belongs to those who fear him, And he makes his covenant known to them.

#### Paragraph 4

(Deuteronomy 10:12) “Now, O Israel, what is Jehovah your God asking of you? Only this: to fear Jehovah your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve Jehovah your God with all your heart and all your soul,

(Isaiah 48:17, 18) This is what Jehovah says, your Repurchaser, the Holy One of Israel: “I, Jehovah, am your God, The One teaching you to benefit yourself, The One guiding you in the way you should walk. 18 If only you would pay attention to my commandments! Then your peace would become just like a river And your righteousness like the waves of the sea.

#### Paragraph 5

(Proverbs 8:27-30) When he prepared the heavens, I was there; When he marked out the horizon on the surface of the waters, 28 When he established the clouds above, When he founded the fountains of the deep, 29 When he set a decree for the sea That its waters should not pass beyond his order, When he established the foundations of the earth, 30 Then I was beside him as a master worker. I was the one he

was especially fond of day by day; I rejoiced before him all the time;

(Colossians 1:15, 16) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; 16 because by means of him all other things were created in the heavens and on the earth, the things visible and the things invisible, whether they are thrones or lordships or governments or authorities. All other things have been created through him and for him.

(Luke 12:32) “Have no fear, little flock, for your Father has approved of giving you the Kingdom.

(Hebrews 5:8, 9) Although he was a son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. 9 And after he had been made perfect, he became responsible for everlasting salvation to all those obeying him,

(Revelation 5:10) and you made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God, and they are to rule as kings over the earth.”

#### Paragraph 6

(Isaiah 41:10) Do not be afraid, for I am with you. Do not be anxious, for I am your God. I will fortify you, yes, I will help you, I will really hold on to you with my right hand of righteousness.’

#### Paragraph 7

(1 Kings 22:19-22) Mi-cai'ah then said: “Therefore, hear the word of Jehovah: I saw Jehovah sitting on his throne and all the army of the heavens standing by him, to his right and to his left. 20 Jehovah then said, ‘Who will fool A'hab, so that he will go up and fall at Ra'moth-gil'e-ad?’ And one was saying one thing while another said something else. 21 Then a spirit came forward and stood before Jehovah and said, ‘I will fool him.’ Jehovah asked him, ‘How will you do it?’ 22 He replied, ‘I will go out and become a deceptive spirit in the mouth of all his

prophets.’ So he said, ‘You will fool him, and what is more, you will be successful. Go out and do that.’

#### Paragraph 8

(Genesis 18:22-33) Then the men left from there and went toward Sod'om, but Jehovah remained with Abraham. 23 Then Abraham approached and said: “Will you really sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 Suppose there are 50 righteous men within the city. Will you, then, sweep them away and not pardon the place for the sake of the 50 righteous who are inside it? 25 It is unthinkable that you would act in this manner by putting the righteous man to death with the wicked one so that the outcome for the righteous man and the wicked is the same! It is unthinkable of you. Will the Judge of all the earth not do what is right?” 26 Then Jehovah said: “If I find in Sod'om 50 righteous men in the city, I will pardon the whole place for their sake.” 27 But Abraham again responded: “Please, here I have presumed to speak to Jehovah, whereas I am dust and ashes. 28 Suppose the 50 righteous should lack five. Because of the five will you destroy the whole city?” To this he said: “I will not destroy it if I find there 45.” 29 But yet again he spoke to him and said: “Suppose 40 are found there.” He answered: “I will not do it for the sake of the 40.” 30 But he continued: “Jehovah, please, do not become hot with anger, but let me go on speaking: Suppose only 30 are found there.” He answered: “I will not do it if I find 30 there.” 31 But he continued: “Please, here I have presumed to speak to Jehovah: Suppose only 20 are found there.” He answered: “I will not destroy it for the sake of the 20.” 32 Finally he said: “Jehovah, please, do not become hot with anger, but let me speak just once more: Suppose only ten are found there.” He answered: “I will not destroy it for the sake of the ten.” 33 When Jehovah finished speaking to Abraham, he went his way and Abraham returned to his place.

(Genesis 18:10-14) So one of them continued: “I will surely return to you next year at this time, and look! your wife Sarah will have a son.” Now Sarah was listening at the tent entrance, which was behind the man. 11 Abraham and Sarah were old, being advanced in years. Sarah was past the age of childbearing. 12 So Sarah began to laugh to herself, saying: “After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I really have this pleasure?” 13 Then Jehovah said to Abraham: “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Am I really going to give birth even though I am old?’ 14 Is anything too extraordinary for Jehovah? I will return to you next year at this appointed time, and Sarah will have a son.”

#### Paragraph 10

(Isaiah 30:20, 21) Though Jehovah will give you bread in the form of distress and water in the form of oppression, your Grand Instructor will no longer hide himself, and you will see your Grand Instructor with your own eyes. 21 And your own ears will hear a word behind you saying, “This is the way. Walk in it,” in case you should go to the right or in case you should go to the left.

(Psalm 37:37) Take note of the blameless one, And keep the upright one in sight, For the future of that man will be peaceful.

(1 Corinthians 10:11) Now these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for a warning to us upon whom the ends of the systems of things have come.

#### Paragraph 11

(1 Samuel 9:21) At this Saul answered: “Am I not a Ben'ja-min-ite of the smallest of the tribes of Israel, and my family the most insignificant of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? So why have you spoken to me in this way?”

(1 Samuel 10:20-22) So Samuel had all the tribes of Israel draw near, and the tribe of

Benjamin was selected. 21 Then he had the tribe of Benjamin draw near by its families, and the family of the Mat'rites was selected. Finally Saul the son of Kish was selected. But when they went to look for him, he was nowhere to be found. 22 So they inquired of Jehovah: “Has the man come here yet?” Jehovah answered: “There he is hiding himself among the luggage.”

(1 Samuel 13:8-14) He continued waiting for seven days until the designated time that Samuel had set, but Samuel did not come to Gil'gal, and the people were scattering from him. 9 Finally Saul said: “Bring to me the burnt sacrifice and the communion sacrifices.” And he offered up the burnt sacrifice. 10 But as soon as he had finished offering up the burnt sacrifice, Samuel arrived. So Saul went out to meet him and bless him. 11 Then Samuel said: “What have you done?” Saul replied: “I saw that the people were deserting me, and you did not come within the designated time, and the Phi-lis'tines were gathering together at Mich'mash. 12 So I said to myself, ‘Now the Phi-lis'tines will come down against me at Gil'gal, and I have not sought the favor of Jehovah.’ So I felt obligated to offer up the burnt sacrifice.” 13 At this Samuel said to Saul: “You have acted foolishly. You have not obeyed the commandment that Jehovah your God gave you. If you had, Jehovah would have made your kingdom firm over Israel forever. 14 But now your kingdom will not last. Jehovah will find a man agreeable to his heart, and Jehovah will commission him as a leader over his people, because you did not obey what Jehovah commanded you.”

#### Paragraph 12

(Daniel 2:26-28) The king said to Daniel, whose name was Bel-te-shaz'zar: “Can you really make known to me the dream that I saw, and its interpretation?” 27 Daniel replied to the king: “None of the wise men, conjurers, magic-practicing priests, or astrologers are able to tell

the king the secret that he is asking. 28 But there is a God in the heavens who is a Revealer of secrets, and he has made known to King Neb·u·chad·nez'zar what is to happen in the final part of the days. This is your dream, and these are the visions of your head as you lay on your bed:

(Philippians 4:13) For all things I have the strength through the one who gives me power.

Paragraph 13

**(John 5:19) Therefore, in response Jesus said to them: “Most truly I say to you, the Son cannot do a single thing of his own initiative, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever things that One does, these things the Son does also in like manner.**

**(John 5:30) I cannot do a single thing of my own initiative. Just as I hear, I judge, and my judgment is righteous because I seek, not my own will, but the will of him who sent me.**

(Philippians 2:6) who, although he was existing in God's form, gave no consideration to a seizure, namely, that he should be equal to God.

Paragraph 14

(Matthew 20:20-23) Then the mother of the sons of Zeb'e·dee approached him with her sons, doing obeisance and asking for something from him. 21 He said to her: “What do you want?” She replied to him: “Give the word that these two sons of mine may sit down, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your Kingdom.” 22 Jesus answered: “You do not know what you are asking for. Can you drink the cup that I am about to drink?” They said to him: “We can.” 23 He said to them: “You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit down at my right hand and at my left is not mine to give, but it belongs to those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”

(John 12:49) For I have not spoken of my own initiative, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment about what to say and what to speak.

Paragraph 15

(1 Corinthians 4:6) Now, brothers, these things I have applied to myself and A·pol'los for your good, that through us you may learn the rule: “Do not go beyond the things that are written,” so that you may not be puffed up with pride, favoring one against the other.

(Revelation 15:3, 4) They were singing the song of Moses the slave of God and the song of the Lamb, saying: “Great and wonderful are your works, Jehovah God, the Almighty. Righteous and true are your ways, King of eternity. 4 Who will not really fear you, Jehovah, and glorify your name, for you alone are loyal? For all the nations will come and worship before you, because your righteous decrees have been revealed.”

Paragraph 17

(Luke 17:11-19) While he was going to Jerusalem, he was passing between Sa·mar'i·a and Gal'i·lee. 12 And as he was entering a village, ten men with leprosy met him, but they stood at a distance. 13 And they raised their voices and said: “Jesus, Instructor, have mercy on us!” 14 When he saw them, he said to them: “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” Then as they were going off, they were cleansed. 15 One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice. 16 And he fell facedown at Jesus' feet, thanking him. Furthermore, he was a Sa·mar'i·tan. 17 In reply Jesus said: “All ten were cleansed, were they not? Where, then, are the other nine? 18 Did no one else turn back to give glory to God except this man of another nation?” 19 Then he said to him: “Get up and be on your way; your faith has made you well.”

**Paragraph 18**

**(Romans 12:10) In brotherly love have tender affection for one another. In showing honor to one another, take the lead.**

**Paragraph 19**

(Galatians 5:26) Let us not become egotistical, stirring up competition with one another, envying one another.

(Romans 12:2) And stop being molded by this system of things, but be transformed by making your mind over, so that you may prove to yourselves the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

**Paragraph 20**

(Revelation 4:11) “You are worthy, Jehovah our God, to receive the glory and the honor and the power, because you created all things, and because of your will they came into existence and were created.”