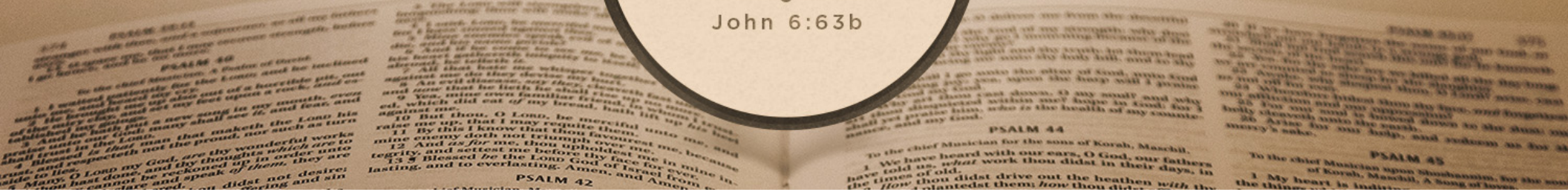


1. Meekness towards Elohim,
which implies two things:
submission to his will;
flexibility to his Word.

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1. Submission to God's WILL:

when we react calmly, without swelling or murmuring, under the adverse dispensations of providence.

[2] Flexiblensness to God's WORD:

when we are willing to let the Word bear sway in our life and become pliable to all its laws and commands. He is spiritually meek who conforms himself to the mind of Elohim, and does not quarrel with the instructions of the Word— but with the corruptions of his heart.

James 1:19-

**19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren,
let every man be swift to hear, slow
to speak, slow to wrath:**

**20 For the wrath of man worketh not
the righteousness of Elohim.**

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Matthew Henry wrote: “A *Discourse on Meekness and Quietness of Spirit*,” in which he points out that in Latin, a meek man was called *mansuetus*.

There are two words here: *manu* which means “hand,” and *assuetus* which means “used to.” *Meekness* means being “used to the hand,”

which Henry says alludes to the taming of creatures wild by nature.

Have you ever heard of meekness, or the word "meek" in general? Most of us think right away that the word meek means weak. It is the opposite, actually.

To meek a horse, means that the horse has been tamed, but its spirit has not been broken. The horse still has its power, but it now follows commands and obeys its master.

Likewise a meek person is one that is humble, yet still retains his power, but chooses not to fall out of the instruction of his master.

The true definition of the word "meek" is: strength yielded. To a Christian, this would further mean strength yielded to the service of Yahweh.

Meekness is humble, gentle, patient, forgiving and contented. And what that means is that meekness delivers us from pride, harshness, anger, vengeance and ambition. Yahshua is calling us to something very wonderful here:

*...and behold
...is peace.
...the wicked shall be destroyed
...their strength shall be cut off.
...the righteous is
...the Lord shall help them, and deliver them,
...because they trust in him.*

1. Grow in meekness, and you will gain control over anger. Meekness will moderate your passions. It will subdue your impulsiveness.

2. Meekness will change the way you speak. It will give you control over the harsh word and the sharp put down.

3. Grow in meekness and you will discover contentment. You will be reconciled to the position you are in. Meekness will help you to accept the difficulties that you face and even to see the hand of Elohim in them.

...and the Lord shall help them, and deliver them, because they trust in him.

4. Grow in meekness and you will enjoy peace. Meekness is being “used to the hand.” Another way to say this is: Meekness is about submission. *Submission* means you put your mission under (sub) the mission of someone else. That someone else is Messiah

I take the dream of my life, the hope of my life, and I say “Because you are Master, I put all this under you.”

This is what a Christian does.

Messiah calls me to put all my hopes, dreams and plans under his mission.

That's what meekness does. It submits to Yahweh. And Yahshua says that people who do this are blessed. The meek place all things in Elohim's hands and find, to their surprise, that Elohim places all things back into their hands. That's why Yahshua says, "The meek will inherit the earth."

James 1:21

Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

The evidence that a person really submits to Elohim is that they do and believe what

Yahshua says:

Matthew 7:21

Not every one that saith unto me, Master, Master, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

**22 Many will say to me in that day,
Master, Master, have we not
prophesied in thy name? and in thy
name have cast out devils? and in
thy name done many wonderful
works?**

**23 And then will I profess unto them,
I never knew you: depart from me,
ye that work iniquity.**

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

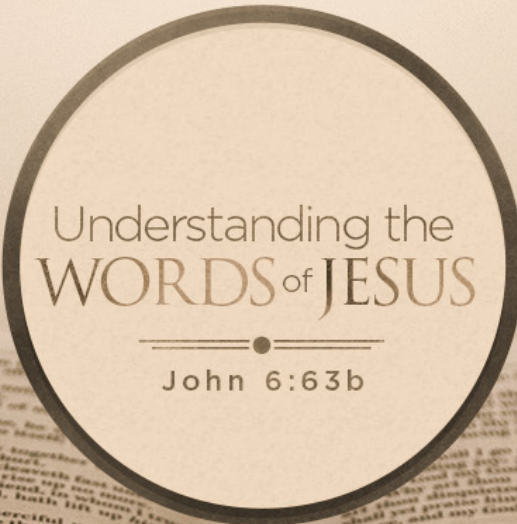
A church where the Bible is taught clearly and valued highly is a wonderful place to be, because our lives are nourished by the Word.

But a church where the Bible is taught clearly is also a *dangerous* place to be, because all of us are responsible for what we hear—nobody more so than the one who speaks.

Meekness is the ability to flex according to the shaping influence of Elohim's Word. You become like soft wax, so that Elohim's Word may make an imprint on your life.

MEEKNESS IS...

Submitting to God’s Will



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Background text from a book, including Psalm 44 and Psalm 45.

PSALM 44
In the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
I have patiently waited for the Lord, and he hath inclined his ear unto my cry.
I have brought out my voice out of a harible pit, out of the mire also, and set my foot upon a rock: and I have blasphemed my salvation.

PSALM 45
To the chief Musician upon Shushannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of Love.
My heart is kindled by thy grace, O God.
My mouth is filled with thy glory, O God, our King.

There are times in the life of every believer when Elohim puts you in a place you would not choose to be. It may come through difficult circumstances at work, in the family, difficulties in church, or in regards to your health.

When Elohim brings you to a place you would not choose, unbelief rises up from the flesh that always resists Elohim: What does meekness look like when Elohim puts you in a place that you would not have chosen for yourself?

Matthew 26:36-39

36 Then cometh Yahshua with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.

38 Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.

39 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.

That's meekness—Yahshua submitting himself to the will of the Father at unimaginable cost! And this is what Yahshua is calling us to do: “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.”

...and the Lord shall help them, and deliver them, because they trust in him.
...the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord, and he shall deliver them from the wicked.
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Have you become “used to the hand” of Elohim upon your life? Or are you like the wild donkey, kicking against the call and the claim of Yahshua Messiah, at war with yourself, and all the while your conflict is spilling over into the lives of other people?

Ephesians 5:14-

14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Messiah shall give thee light.

15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,

16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Master is.

18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to Yahweh;

**20 Giving thanks always for all things
unto Elohim and the Father in the
name of our Master Yahshua Messiah;
21 Submitting yourselves one to
another in the fear of Elohim.**

Paul is describing what it looks like when Elohim's people are filled with the Holy Spirit: They sing to each other in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. They're always giving thanks. There's one more evidence of people being filled with the Holy Spirit—they submit to one another.

If the pattern of your life is to walk away every time a person upsets you, you cannot learn meekness.

Meekness can only happen when you are upset, and you submit yourself to Elohim in the middle of it.

There is an important distinction to be made between submission to Elohim's Word, submission to Elohim's will, and submission to Elohim's people. Submission to Elohim's Word and submission to Elohim's will are unconditional, but our submission to one other is not.

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...and the Lord shall help them, and del...
...be shall deliver them from the wi...
...them, because they trust in hi...*

The normal pattern of healthy Christian relationships is that we submit to one other in the body of Christ. Meekness is formed out of the difficulty of doing this:

*...and of that man is peace, and behold
the aggressors shall be destroyed
the end of the wicked shall be cut off.
...but the salvation of the righteous is of
their strength in the time of trouble.
...and the Lord shall help them, and deliver
them, because they trust in him.*

Philippians 2:1-4

1 If there be therefore any consolation in Messiah, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

When you are opposed

Numbers 12:3

(Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

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Exodus 32:30-32

30 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto Yahweh; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.

**31 And Moses returned unto Yahweh,
and said, Oh, this people have
sinned a great sin, and have made
them mighty ones of gold.**

**32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their
sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray
thee, out of thy book which thou
hast written.**

The Meekness of David

2 Samuel 16

...the wicked in great
...the righteous shall be
...the Lord shall help them, and
...the Lord shall deliver them from the
...because they trust in hi

When you are disappointed

...the wicked in great
...the righteous they love.
...but he would not be bound.
...and behold
...the transgressors shall be destroyed
...the end of the wicked shall be cut off.
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...their strength in the time of trouble.
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The Meekness of Paul

2 Timothy 4:1 -16

1. I charge thee therefore before Elohim, and the Master Yahshua Messiah, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

**4 And they shall turn away their ears
from the truth, and shall be turned
unto fables.**

**5 But watch thou in all things,
endure afflictions, do the work of an
evangelist, make full proof of thy
ministry.**

**6 For I am now ready to be offered,
and the time of my departure is at
hand.**

**7 I have fought a good fight, I have
finished my course, I have kept the
faith:**

**8 Henceforth there is laid up for me
a crown of righteousness, which the
Master, the righteous judge, shall
give me at that day: and not to me
only, but unto all them also that love
his appearing.**

**9 Do thy diligence to come shortly
unto me:**

**10 For Demas hath forsaken me,
having loved this present world, and
is departed unto Thessalonica;
Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto
Dalmatia.**

**11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark,
and bring him with thee: for he is
profitable to me for the ministry.**

**12 And Tychicus have I sent to
Ephesus.**

13 The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments.

14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Master reward him according to his works:

15 Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.

16 At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray Yahweh that it may not be laid to their charge.

The Meekness of Yahshua

1 Peter 2:21-24

...the meekness of Yahshua
...the perfect man, and behold
...the transgressors shall be destroyed
...the wicked shall be cut off.
...the salvation of the righteous is of
...their strength in the time of trouble.
...And the Lord shall help them, and deliver
...them from the wicked, because they trust in him.

21 For even here unto were ye called: because Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

**23 Who, when he was reviled,
reviled not again; when he suffered,
he threatened not; but committed
himself to him that judgeth
righteously:**

**24 Who his own self bare our sins in
his own body on the tree, that we,
being dead to sins, should live unto
righteousness: by whose stripes ye
were healed.**

Luke 23:34

Then said Yahshua, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

Meekness is seen in bearing wounds, forgiving of injuries and returning good for evil.

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Matthew Henry says: after laying out what meekness involves he says if this is christianity God help us. Because if we are call Christians we named the name of the meek and lowly Jesus, but how few are actuated by the spirit are conformed by Christ example.