# Staying Humble in Career Success



Explore biblical wisdom to remain humble and grounded while achieving career success over a transformative 7-day journey.





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#### Introduction

In today's fast-paced and competitive world, career success often brings accolades, recognition, and an elevated sense of self. However, the Bible reminds us that true greatness is found not in lifting ourselves up but in humility and faithful service. **Staying humble in career success** is more than just a personal virtue — it is a spiritual commitment that aligns our achievements with God's greater purpose.

Throughout this 7-day Bible study, we will explore scripture passages that highlight humility as the foundation for lasting influence and peace. Biblical heroes who achieved great things did so not through pride but through reliance on God. Their stories inspire us to celebrate victories with a heart that honors God rather than ourselves. We will meditate on wisdom from Proverbs, learn from Jesus' example of servant leadership, and reflect on how humility protects us from the pitfalls of pride that can easily accompany success.

Whether you are just beginning your career, climbing the ladder, or have reached a place of notable accomplishment, this study will challenge and encourage you. You will discover practical ways to keep humility at the core of your professional life and let God's grace shape your success. Together, let's commit to embracing career achievements without losing sight of the eternal, cultivating a humble spirit that honors God in every step.









## Day 1: 7 Foundations of Humility









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#### Your Verse

Proverbs 3:34 – "He mocks proud mockers but shows favor to the humble and oppressed."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- James 4:6 "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."
- Micah 6:8 "...do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God."







Day 1: Foundations of Humility

#### Devotional: God Favors the Humble Heart

**Starting on the right foundation** is crucial for maintaining humility in a career filled with successes. The book of Proverbs reminds us that God resists the proud but extends favor to the humble. This is not just a warning but also a hopeful promise: humility invites God's grace into our journey.

In a workplace often defined by competition and comparison, it's easy to be tempted toward pride when things go well. Yet, honoring God means recognizing that all gifts and opportunities come from Him, not solely from our own efforts. It's a daily choice to acknowledge our dependence on God's wisdom, strength, and guidance.

Prayerfully embracing humility allows us to navigate career wins without becoming boastful or self-centered. It keeps our hearts tender and open to God's leading, ensuring we use our success to bless others rather than ourselves. Let us begin this study by anchoring ourselves in the truth that humility paves the way for God's favor and enduring impact.







Day 1: 🍞 Foundations of Humility

## Reflect and Apply

1.	What areas of my career am I tempted to take sole credit for?
2.	How does pride show up in my professional attitudes or decisions?
	In what ways can embracing humility open doors to God's favor in my work?







Day 1: 🍞 Foundations of Humility

## Journaling Prompts

1.	List recent successes and reflect on God's role in each.
	Write about a moment when humility helped you handle a difficult situation.
	Identify areas where you can practice humility more intentionally this week.







Day 1: 🍞 Foundations of Humility

#### Prayer for Today

Lord, teach me the beauty of humility as I walk my career path. Help me to keep my heart grounded in Your grace and resist the temptation of pride. May my successes be a testimony of Your goodness, not my own strength. Guide me to use every achievement for Your glory and blessing to others. Fill me with a humble spirit that honors You in all I do. Amen.  $\bigwedge$ 

















#### Your Verse

Proverbs 16:18 - "Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- 1 Peter 5:5 "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."
- Galatians 6:3 "If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves."







#### Devotional: Pride's Danger and God's Grace

Success often feels empowering, but it carries a hidden danger: pride. The wise words in Proverbs 16:18 remind us that pride precedes destruction. It's a sobering truth about how quickly triumph can lead to downfall when we lose sight of humility.

In our careers, it's easy to begin attributing success solely to our own skills and efforts and to start thinking we are 'better' or 'above' others. This haughty spirit isolates us from support, stifles growth, and damages relationships. The apostle Peter warns that God actively opposes the proud, which means pride creates a barrier between us and God's blessings.

To guard against pride, cultivate self-awareness by regularly checking your heart's motives and attitudes. Practice gratitude daily and celebrate others' achievements alongside your own. Recognize that God's grace is the true foundation of success. This spiritual vigilance helps prevent the fall pride can bring and keeps you walking steadily in God's favor.







### Reflect and Apply

1.	Where have I noticed pride influencing my behavior or decisions at work?
2.	How do I respond when someone else succeeds or gets recognition?
3.	What practical steps can I take to keep pride from growing in my heart?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Recall a time when pride led to negative consequences in your career.
2.	Write down affirmations to counter pride and encourage humility.
3.	List people who have influenced your success and consider how to honor them.







#### Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, help me recognize pride before it takes root in my heart.

Guard me from wandering into arrogance or self-glorification. Teach me to honor You and others in all my accomplishments. Keep me humble and open to Your correction and guidance. I desire to walk in humility so Your grace can flow abundantly through my career. Amen. 🙌 🙏 🖓

















Day 3: 👣 Following Christ's Example

#### Your Verse

Philippians 2:5-7 - "In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus... he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Mark 10:45 "...even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve."
- John 13:14 "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet."







Day 3: % Following Christ's Example

#### Devotional: Modeling Christ's Humble Leadership

**Jesus is our ultimate model of humility.** Though He was Lord of all, He set aside glory to serve others, demonstrating a servant's heart. In Philippians 2, Paul invites us to adopt the same mindset — valuing others above ourselves, embracing humility, and prioritizing service.

In the context of career success, this challenges the common mindset of selfpromotion and climbing over others to the top. Jesus teaches that true greatness in any field comes through serving and uplifting those around us.

By following Christ's example, we learn to view our careers as platforms to bless, encourage, and empower others rather than merely advance ourselves. This servant-leader mindset aligns our success with Christ's kingdom values and ensures that humility is woven into every achievement.







Day 3: 🥎 Following Christ's Example

## Reflect and Apply

1.	How can I adopt Christ's servant mindset in my workplace?
2.	Are there ways I can serve colleagues or others that I have overlooked?
3.	In what ways does serving others shift my perspective on career success?







Day 3: 🥎 Following Christ's Example

### **Journaling Prompts**

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2.	Reflect on Jesus' humility and write how that inspires your daily choices.
3.	List ways humility can reshape your leadership style or teamwork.







Day 3: No Following Christ's Example

#### Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for showing me true humility through Your life. Help me to follow Your example by serving others with a humble heart. Teach me to consider others above myself and use my career for Your glory. Make my success a reflection of Your servant leadership. Amen. 😂 💸 💼

















#### Your Verse

Ecclesiastes 3:1 - "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 27:14 "Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord."
- Isaiah 40:31 "...those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."







#### Devotional: Patience Reflects Humble Trust

In the journey of career success, patience and trust in God's timing are vital aspects of humility. Ecclesiastes reminds us there is a right time for everything — including promotion, recognition, and opportunity.

We can become impatient or frustrated when success seems delayed or when others advance ahead of us. However, trusting God's perfect timing demonstrates humility by submitting to His sovereign plan rather than pushing ahead in our own strength.

Waiting on God refines our character, builds perseverance, and aligns our hearts with His purposes. It invites peace even amid uncertainty or setbacks. When we yield control and trust in God's timing, we open ourselves to His best blessings rather than settling for our own agenda.







### Reflect and Apply

1.	Are there areas in my career where I struggle to wait on God?
2.	How can trusting God's timing reshape my approach to success?
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Э.	What has God taught me in seasons of waiting or delay?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	. Write about a time when waiting on God led to a better outcome.
2.	List ways you can cultivate patience and trust amid career pressures.
3.	Reflect on scriptures that encourage hope and timing in God's plans.







#### Prayer for Today

Father, grant me patience to trust Your perfect timing in my career. Help me to surrender my plans and wait for Your guidance with a humble and hopeful heart. Strengthen me when the waiting feels hard, and remind me that You are working all things for my good. Amen. \(\sigma\) \(\lambda\)







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#### Your Verse

1 Corinthians 10:24 - "...no one should seek their own good, but the good of others."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Hebrews 6:10 "God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people."
- Matthew 23:11 "The greatest among you will be your servant."







Day 5: Serving Others Through Success

#### Devotional: Using Success to Bless Others

Career success provides unique opportunities to positively impact others. The apostle Paul reminds us to seek not only our own good but especially the good of others. Genuine humility shuns selfish ambition and embraces a heart focused on blessing those around us.

Success is not a trophy to hoard but a tool to serve — advancing meaningful causes, mentoring colleagues, supporting community, and reflecting God's love. God sees and remembers our acts of love and service as integral to our career journey.

When we measure success by how much good we can do, humility grows as we consistently place others' needs alongside our own. This day invites us to evaluate how we can use our career achievements to serve and uplift others, making success a shared blessing.







## Reflect and Apply

1.	How am I currently using my career to serve others?
2.	What changes might I make to focus more on others' good?
3.	How does serving others deepen humility in my professional life?







### **Journaling Prompts**

	Identify specific ways to serve colleagues or your community through work.
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2.`	Write about how helping others has enriched your career experience.
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	Reflect on the balance between personal ambition and generosity in your goals.
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Day 5: Serving Others Through Success

#### Prayer for Today

God, help me to use my success as a means to serve and bless others. Give me a heart that seeks to uplift, encourage, and share generously through my work. May my career be a platform for Your love and kindness, not just personal gain. Amen. 💙 💝 💸









## Day 6: (S) Humility in Leadership









Day 6: Numility in Leadership

#### Your Verse

Matthew 20:26–27 – "Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Philippians 2:3 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves."
- Romans 12:10 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."







Day 6: Numility in Leadership

#### Devotional: Leading with a Servant's Heart

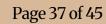
Leadership often comes hand-in-hand with career success, but the Bible redefines greatness as humble service rather than power or control. Jesus' teaching in Matthew makes it clear: to be great in God's kingdom means to serve others selflessly.

True humility as a leader means valuing others genuinely, avoiding selfish ambition, and leading by example with love and honor. This approach fosters trust, inspiration, and lasting positive influence.

As you grow professionally and possibly lead teams, ask God to make you a servant-leader. Embrace humility as a strength — a way to empower others and reflect Christ's love. Such leadership produces fruit that lasts beyond individual achievements.









Day 6: 🚫 Humility in Leadership

## Reflect and Apply

How do I currently express humility in my leadership roles?
What changes can I make to lead more like Jesus?
How might valuing others above myself impact my team or workplace?







Day 6: Numility in Leadership

### **Journaling Prompts**

	Describe a leader you admire for humility and what you learned from
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2.	Reflect on your leadership style and how God might want you to grow.
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	Write about a recent leadership challenge and how humility could guide your response.







Day 6: Numility in Leadership

#### Prayer for Today

**Lord, make me a humble servant-leader who honors and serves those entrusted to me.** Help me to lead not for status but to reflect Your love and care. Teach me to value others above myself and inspire those around me with humility. Amen.  $\square$   $\bigcirc$   $\square$ 















#### Your Verse

Psalm 118:24 – "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- 1 Thessalonians 5:18 "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."
- Colossians 3:17 "Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."







#### Devotional: Gratitude Grounds Humble Hearts

As we conclude this study, it's essential to celebrate career successes with a heart full of gratitude. The Psalmist encourages us to rejoice in each day God has made — including the milestones and achievements in our professional lives.

Gratitude keeps pride at bay because it constantly points us back to God as the source of every blessing. No matter the level of success, acknowledging God's role fosters humility and joy.

Make a habit of thanking God daily for your career journey — the lessons, opportunities, and victories. This attitude brightens your perspective and strengthens your relationship with God. A thankful heart cherishes success as a gift, not an entitlement, and honors God through praise and worship.







## Reflect and Apply

1.	How often do I pause to thank God for my career blessings?
2.	In what ways does gratitude influence my humility?
3.	How can I cultivate a daily practice of rejoicing in God's provision?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	List recent career achievements with notes of thanksgiving to God.
2.	Write about moments when gratitude shielded you from pride.
3.	Plan practical ways to express thanks to God and others regularly.







#### Prayer for Today

Gracious God, thank You for every success You have entrusted to me. Help me to celebrate these victories with humility and gratitude. May my heart always recognize You as the source of all good things. Teach me to rejoice daily in Your faithfulness and to share my blessings with others joyfully. Amen.







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