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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

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Humble Yourselves

MATTHEW 23:8 NKJV – (8) But you, do not be called 'Rabbi'; for One is your Teacher, the Christ, and you are all brethren.

But you, do not be called 'Rabbi'; Do not be ambitious of any such title, fond of it, or affect it, or be elated with it should it be given you; nor look upon yourselves as men of power and authority over others; as having the dominion over men's faith, a power to make laws for others, impose them in a magisterial way, and bind and loose men's consciences at pleasure, as these men do.

for One is your Teacher, the Christ, meaning Himself, the true Messiah, the head of the church, King of saints, and Lord of all; who had all power in heaven and in earth, to make laws, appoint ordinances, and oblige men to receive His doctrines, and obey His commands. He is the great Rabbi, and doctor, that is to be hearkened to, and the master we are all to obey:

and you are all brethren. not merely as the descendants of Adam, but as being in a spiritual relation, the children of God, and disciples of Christ, and so have no superiority one over another; this may regard the disciples, both as believers and Christians, partakers of the same grace, and standing in the same relation to God, Christ, and one another, and having an equal right to the same privileges, and as apostles and ministers, one as such, no, not Peter, having no pre-eminence over the other, having the same commission, doctrine, and authority, one as the other.

Regardless of your position or status, you are a steward of the most high-the only one who should be acknowledged with such honor! We should be respected for the position we have been placed, that through our leadership, people will see our glowing light. People will see the Lord who lives in us. Humble yourselves and forget who you are and who's you are.

SCRIPTURE READING

PROVERBS 11:2

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Humility is royalty without a crown."