

5. 1 CORINTHIANS 4:18–21 seems to suggest that *gentleness* is not always the right response to certain situations. What can you learn from this passage?

6. Bible Commentator Matthew Henry made the observation that *sometimes the unkindness of our friends is a greater trial of our meekness than the malice of our enemies*. Why might this be true?

PERSONAL APPLICATION

1. Ask God to show you circumstances or relationships in which you need to be more gentle. Write down what you discover.

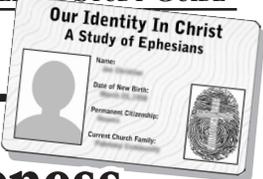
2. Write down what step(s) you will take to practice gentleness.

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

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Walk with all Gentleness



Series: "Our Identity in Christ" — Ephesians #59

Introduction: EPHESIANS 4:1-3

I. Jesus is the _____.

MATTHEW 11:28–30

A. "_____" is the _____ "_____".

B. _____ can be understood as

_____.

MATTHEW 26:47–53; LUKE 23:34

II. _____ demonstrated _____.

A. The Bible _____

as _____. NUMBERS 12:2

B. Moses _____ his _____

and _____ God with _____.

NUMBERS 12:3–10

C. Moses did not allow _____

to _____ his _____ to God.

NUMBERS 12:11–15

III. _____ is
_____ for a Christian.

EPHESIANS 4:1-2

A. Jesus presented _____ as a _____
of _____ . MATTHEW 5:5

B. _____ is the _____ in which a
Christian _____ .

1. Christians should _____
_____ with gentleness. TITUS 3:1-7

2. _____ a
_____ is to be done
with gentleness. 2 TIMOTHY 2:24-26; 1 PETER 3:15-17

3. _____ and _____ are to
_____ with gentleness.
1 PETER 3:1-4; COLOSSIANS 3:19,21

4. _____ a
_____ is to be done
with gentleness. GALATIANS 6:1

C. _____ is to _____ .
JAMES 3:13-18; 1:19-21; COLOSSIANS 3:12; 1 TIMOTHY 6:11

Conclusion: _____ would _____ ?
He would _____ .

STUDY & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is *gentleness* (*meekness*) often mistaken for weakness?
2. GALATIANS 5:23 lists *gentleness* as part of the *fruit of the Spirit*.
The larger context (GALATIANS 5:19-24) contrasts the *works of the flesh* with the *fruit of the Spirit*. Which *works of the flesh* seem to be the opposite of *gentleness*?
3. How does our pride make it difficult to practice *gentleness*?
4. Why might *humility* and *gentleness* often be found linked together in Scripture? (see e.g. EPHESIANS 4:2; MATTHEW 11:29; COLOSSIANS 3:12)