

↪ **Micah 6:8**, taking now a third Sunday to consider this challenge: 3 straightforward commands by God. We've considered **doing justly** (not just wanting it or complaining about it); **loving mercy** (not just having mercy but being merciful); **walking humbly**.

1. Let's dig into this a bit and see we can't make humility our forte as well.

- ✓ It's a walk, "Walk Humbly," it's not a sprint or a jog, it's a walk; this implies sameness, a continual thing. It's every day and it's all day. It conveys friendship, common understanding, common agenda, side by side, going the same direction as God is, **Amos 3:3**. It's not possible to walk 'Proudly' with God. Those two things are mutually exclusive.

2. "Blessed are the Meek for they shall inherit the earth."

- ✓ "The Meek will be all that's left here; none of the others will make it through." Humility means being precisely the person we actually are before God.
- ✓ Happy are those who are realistic about their sin. Happy are those who are repentant about their sin. Happy are those who humble themselves before the Holy God.
- ✓ The Greek = gentle, patient, submissive. Like a horse that has been saddle broken. (The power is still there!) It is not weakness; it is power under control. It is what the Spirit of God produces in us, **Galatians 5:22-23**.

3. A Characteristic of Christ, 2nd Corinthians 10:1, Matthew 11:29-30.

- ✓ It's not "he can't defend himself;" he just doesn't. Jesus was mistreated in every way, but He didn't defend Himself. Jesus didn't defend Himself, but He took a whip and ran every money changer and seller out of the temple!

Meekness doesn't worry about his own injuries. No need to defend his rights. **It is not about defending one's own rights, but letting God become our defender.**
