

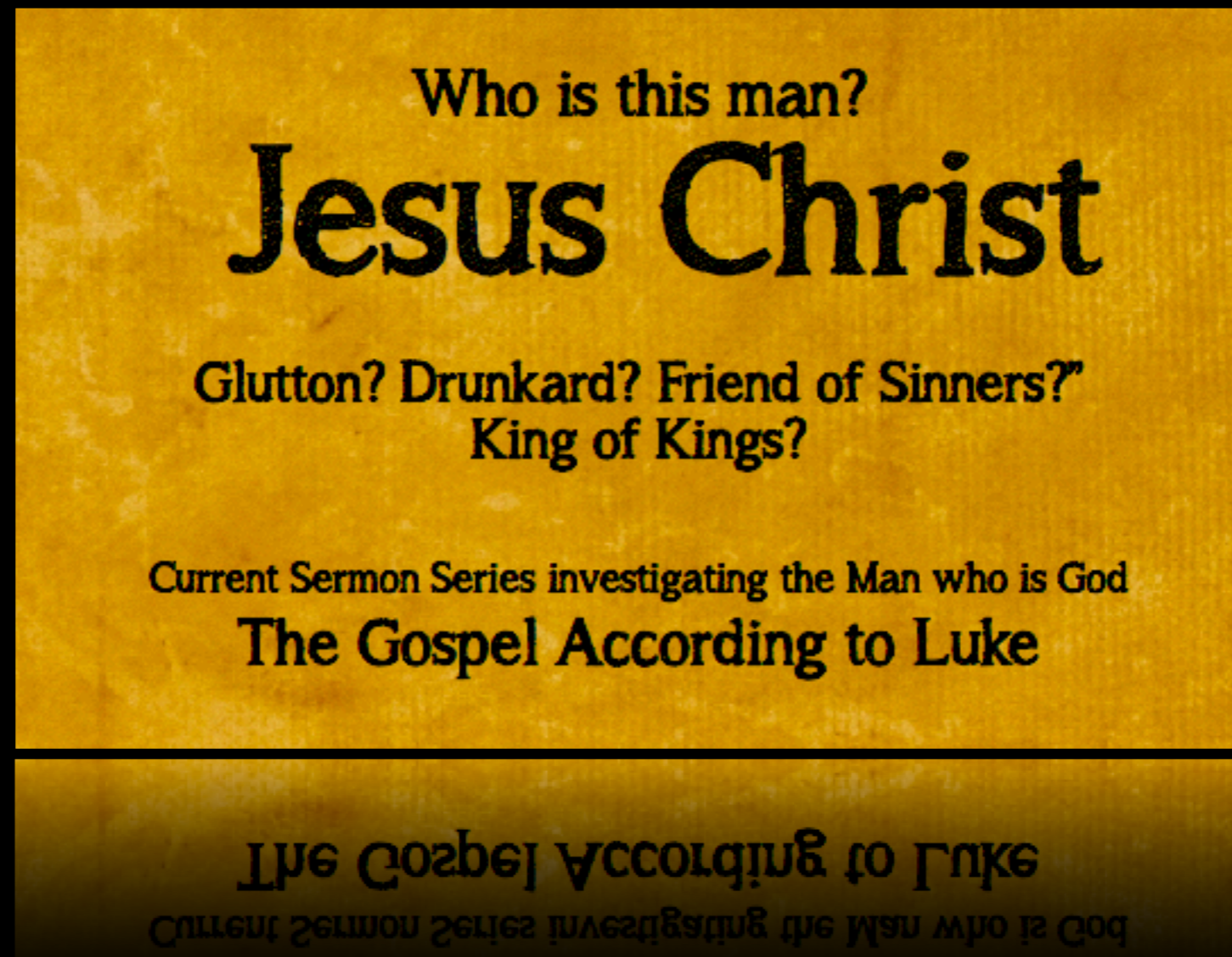
“True Greatness”

~ Luke 9:46-50 ~



God Gives Us His Words of Eternal Life

Today's Scripture: *Luke 9:46-48*



Found on page **867** in our guest Bibles.

**MAC DAVIS:
"O LORD, IT'S HARD
TO BE HUMBLE"**



Do we think of
ourselves
more highly
than we ought



“True Greatness”

~ Luke 9:46-50 ~



Luke 9:46

An argument arose among them as to which of them was the **greatest**.

[He asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” But they kept **silent**, for on the way they argued with one another about who was the **greatest**. - Mark 9:33-34]

“This is the one to whom I will look: he who is **humble** and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.”

~ Isaiah 66:2





~ Psalm 149:6

“For the Lord takes
pleasure in his
people; he adorns
the **humble** with
salvation.”

“When pride comes,
then comes
disgrace, but with
the **humble** is
wisdom.”

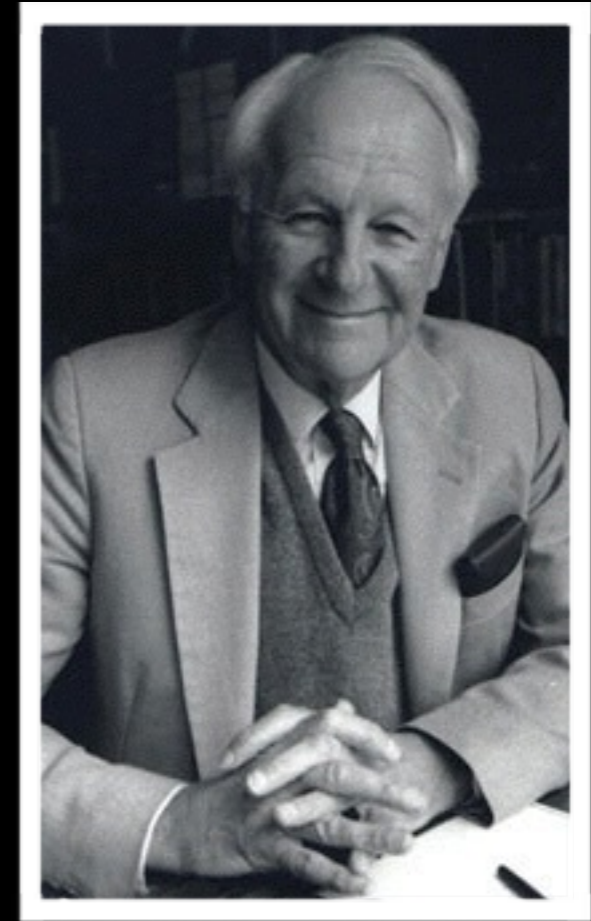


~ Proverbs 11:2



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At every stage of our
Christian development
and in every sphere of
our Christian disciple-
ship, **PRIDE** is our
greatest enemy
and **HUMILITY** is
our **greatest friend.**



~ John Stott
Anglican Minister

Luke 9:47-48

But Jesus, knowing the reasoning of
of their hearts, took a **child** and put
him by his side and said to them,
“Whoever receives this child in my
name receives me, and whoever
receives me receives him who sent

Luke 9:47-48

...me. For he who is **least** among you all is the one who is **great**. [If anyone would be **first**, he must be **last** of all and **servant** to all. - Mark 9:35]



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~ Jesus of Nazareth
in Matthew 25

“Truly, I say to you,
as you did it to one
of the least of these
my brothers, you
did it to me.”

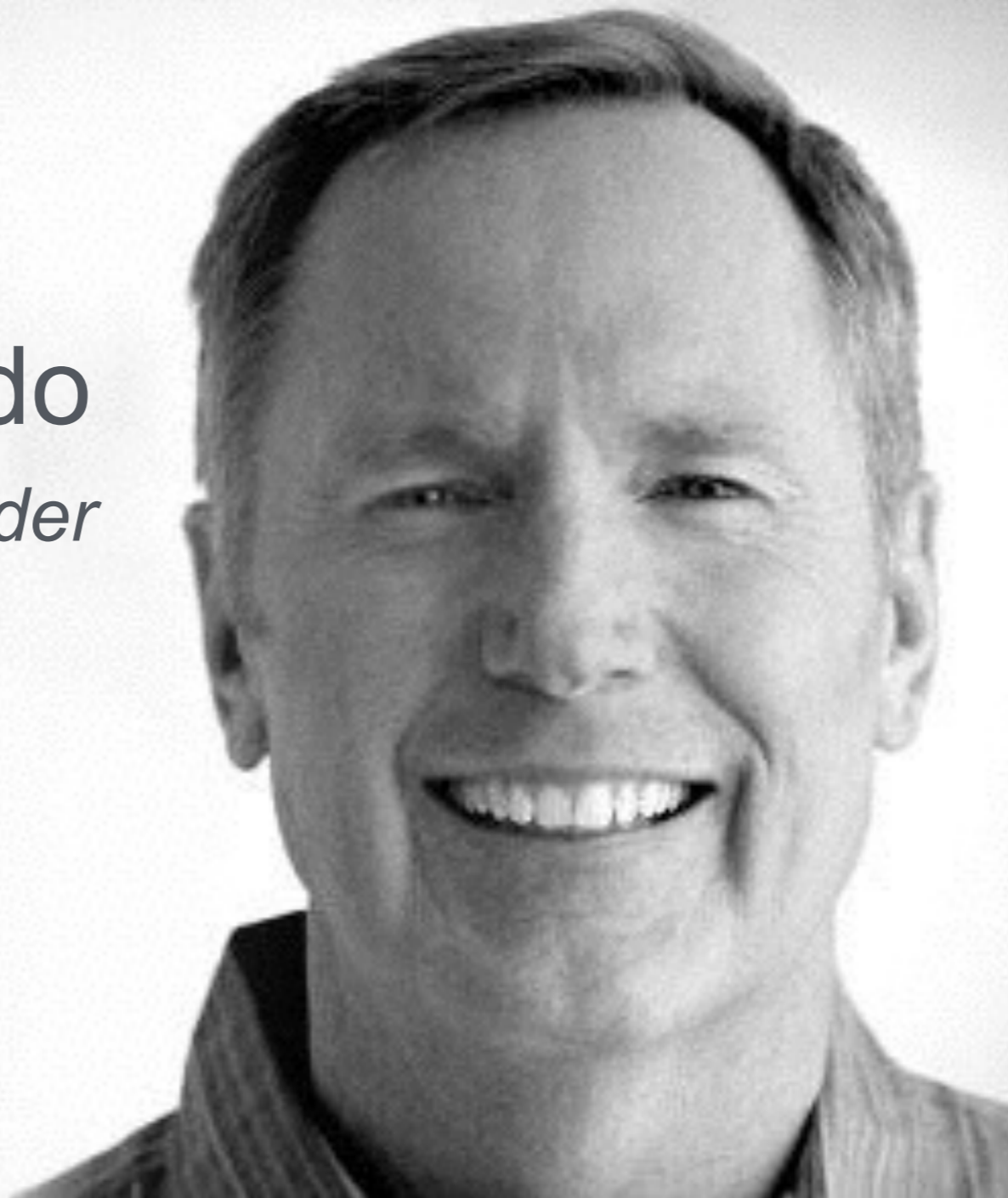
To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest,
to all who mourn and long for comfort,
to all who struggle and desire victory,
to all who sin and need a Saviour,
to all who are strangers and want fellowship,
to all who are broken and long for healing,
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
and to whosoever would come,

New City Church opens wide her doors
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Luke 9:49-50

John answered, “Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he does not follow us. But Jesus said to him, “Do not stop him, for the one who is not against you is for you.”

Max Lucado
A Distant Thunder



Important Question

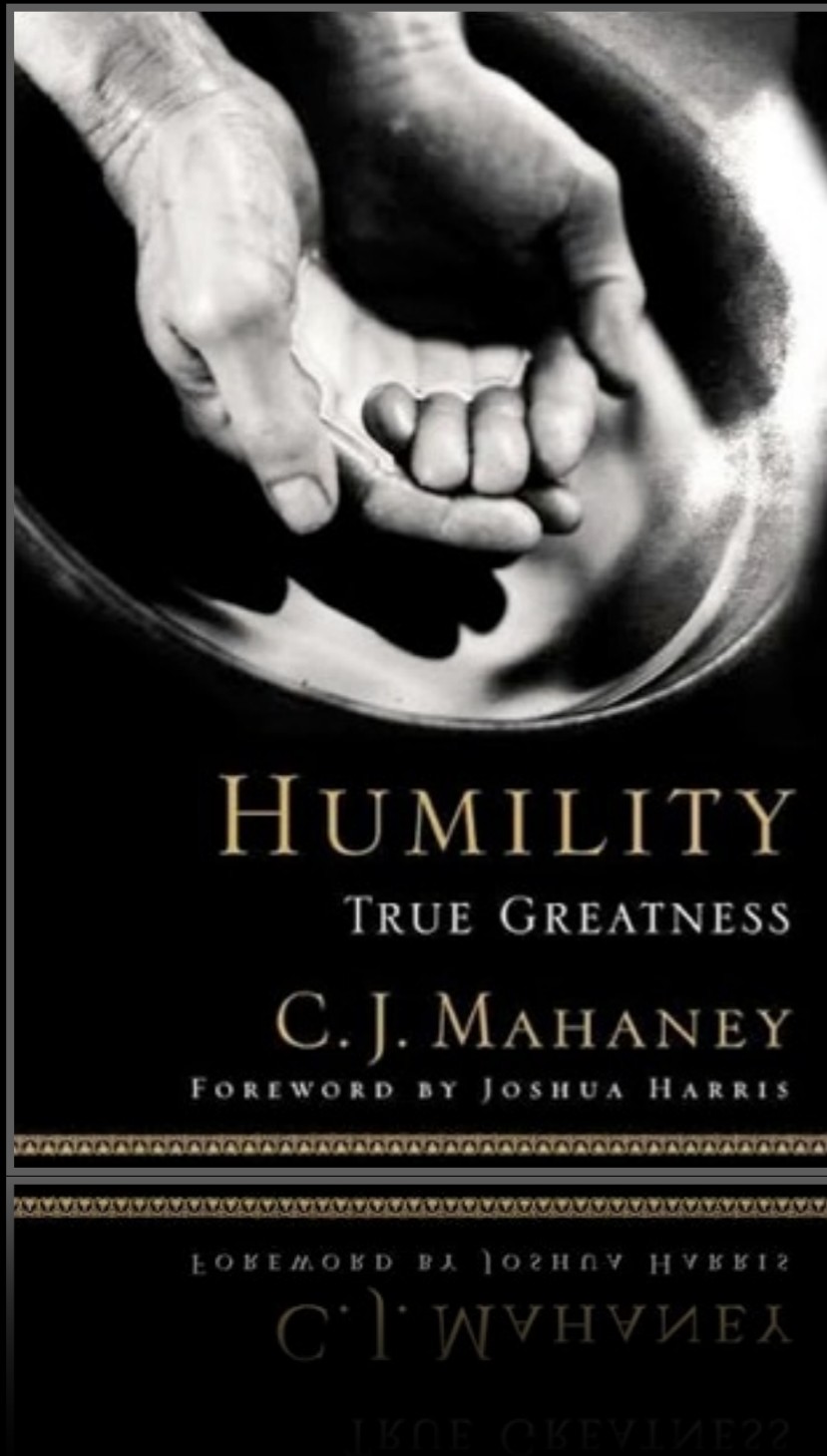
Why does Luke record this account in his historical biography of Jesus?

Summary

**True greatness
according to Jesus
is a willingness to humble
oneself by serving others**



1 Hunt down pride in your heart



The real issue here is not **IF** pride exists in your heart; it's **WHERE** pride exists and **HOW** pride is being expressed in your life.

2 Consider others as more **VALUABLE** than yourself



Do nothing out of rivalry or conceit, but in **humility** count others as **more significant** than yourselves.



~ The Apostle Paul
Philippians 2:3

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“**Humility** is not
thinking less of yourself,
but **thinking of yourself less.**”

~ CS Lewis

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Remember the Cross



Have **THIS MIND** among yourselves,
which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though
he was in the form of God, did not count
equality with God a thing to be grasped,
but **MADE HIMSELF NOTHING...**

~ Philippians 2



...taking the form of a **SERVANT**, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he **HUMBLED** himself by become obedient to the point of death, even **DEATH** on a **CROSS**.

~ Philippians 2





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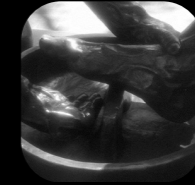


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