

**Baptism Class**  
 During this class, you'll have the opportunity to listen, ask questions, and decide if baptism is right for you. Attendees must be at least 12-years-old.  
**Mondays, Oct 8 & 15**  
**6:30-8pm Entrance B**



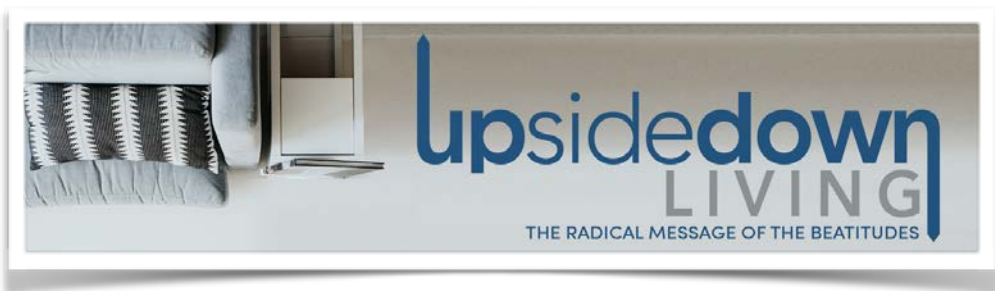
**Connect**  
 If you're new to Grace, we want to get to know you! Join us for Connect. Lunch provided.  
 Let us know you're coming at [graceky.org/events](http://graceky.org/events)  
**Oct 14 11am Entrance B**



**Independence Campus - Prayer Night -**  
 We're coming together to pray for the Independence community and our upcoming third campus.  
 We'd love to see you there!  
**Oct 14 Memorial Park 5-6pm**



**Women's Night of Encouragement - Stories Worth Telling -**  
 On **Oct 19**, all ladies are invited to an evening of worship & hearing how the greatest story ever told has impacted many in our church family.  
**REGISTER BY MIDNIGHT OCT 14**  
[graceky.org/realwomentellstories](http://graceky.org/realwomentellstories)



**The Freedom of Total Submission**  
**Matthew 5:5**  
 Pastor Aaron Barnett  
 October 7, 2018

“Blessed” - “divine joy and perfect happiness”

Happiness - better than anything this world offers.

Meekness - What it is and is not:

**IS NOT:**

- Weakness
- Mild
- Wimpy
- Lame
- Pushover
- Effeminate

**IS:**

- Humility
- Gentleness
- Patience
- Contentment
- Authority
- Confidence
- Power

**Meekness is power under control.**

*“Meekness is strength brought under control through submission.”*

—Momentum, Colin S. Smith

(Sub)(Mission)—being under someone else’s mission

**I. Being Meek is All About Submission To God And His Will—And Not Your Own.**

**A. Acknowledge God is God and You Are Not. He is Holy and You’re a Dirty Sinner.**

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## B. Accept God's Plan for Salvation and Rest in Christ Alone.

- i. "Meek people are comforted people" - Spurgeon
- ii. At the cross you have the option to let Christ take your burden, or you can be motivated to try and do it yourself.

## C. Trust That God's Will is Best and He Knows What He's Doing.

**Matthew 26:39**

## II. Being Meek is All About Loving and Serving Others Like Jesus.

### A. Jesus is Our Example to Imitate.

**Philippians 2:3-8** "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also the interest of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

### B. Happy Are You if You Serve!

**John 13:12-17** "When He had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed His place, He said to them, "Do you understand what I have done for to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, you Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

*"Following Jesus doesn't just save us from a less fulfilling life or eternal separation from God. It also saves us to a life that can radically transform the world around us through the Power of God."*

- *Un-Ashamed*, Lecrae

## C. We Have "The Helper!"

**John 14:25-26** "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you."

God's will for us is to be meek, God gives us the example of meekness, Christ, and He sends us His Spirit so we have the power to do it.

## D. Those Who are Meek By the Power of the Spirit Have an Assurance and a Hope for our Inheritance—"The Promised Land"

**Titus 2:1-7** "But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the Word of God may not be reviled. Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity..."

## III. Being Meek is All About Walking By Faith and Not By Sight.

**2 Corinthians 5:7** "...for we walk by faith, not by sight."

### A. Blessedness and Happiness Now Only Comes When You Believe That This World is Not Home.

### B. Thankfulness and Contentment With the Good Things God Gives Us Here Comes When You See Them for What They Are; Glimpses and a Taste of What is to Come.

- i. We have the ability to place hope in what is not seen, and not what is seen.