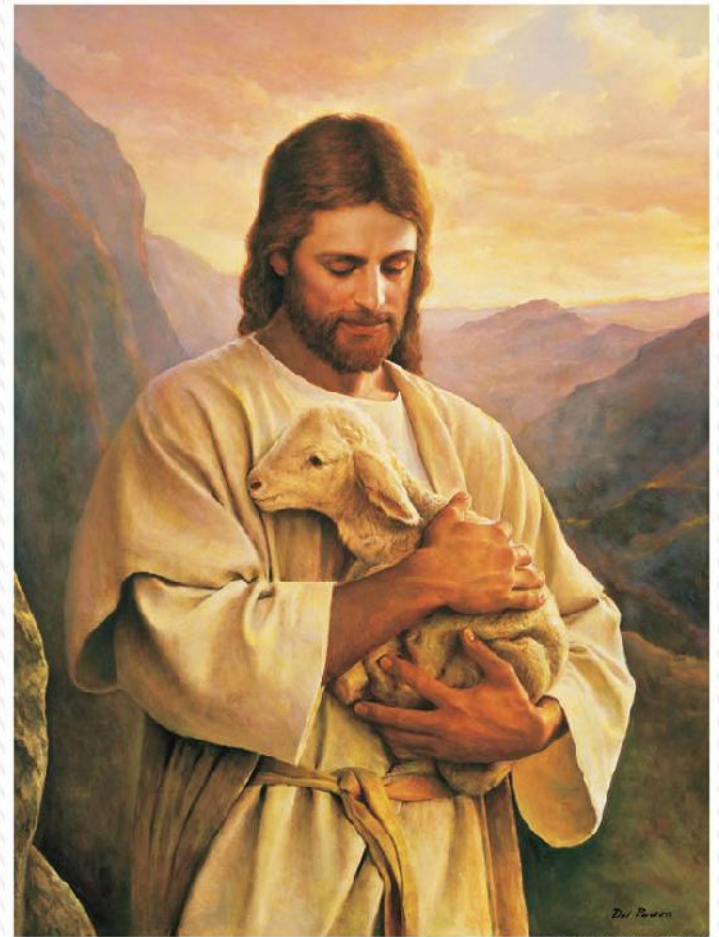


MEEKNESS WEEK 22

*“Learn from Me, for I am gentle
and lowly in heart, and you will
find rest for your souls”
(Matt. 11:29)*



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Meek:

God fearing, righteous,
humble, teachable,
patient under suffering,
quiet, gentle, submissive



Greek:

praus (prah-ooce'):
“strength under control”
supple, flexible, willing
to yield



Characteristics of the Meek Person

- calm, good-natured, lenient, and cheerful
- on peaceful terms with all
- never interferes in the affairs of others
- bears others with long-suffering
- The meek person is often shy
- The meek are easy to deal with
- A meek person is obliging



Meekness and Firmness

The meek person properly understands the message:

“To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven... a time to keep silence, and a time to speak” (Eccl.3:1,7)

Let us review some examples



Christ's Meekness and Firmness

"He will not quarrel or cry out, nor will anyone hear His voice in the streets," (Matt. 12:19)

He was gentle with the sinners and repentant:

- Samaritan woman
- Woman who washed His feet

Yet, he corrected with firmness:

- Cleansing the temple
- Correcting the Pharisees

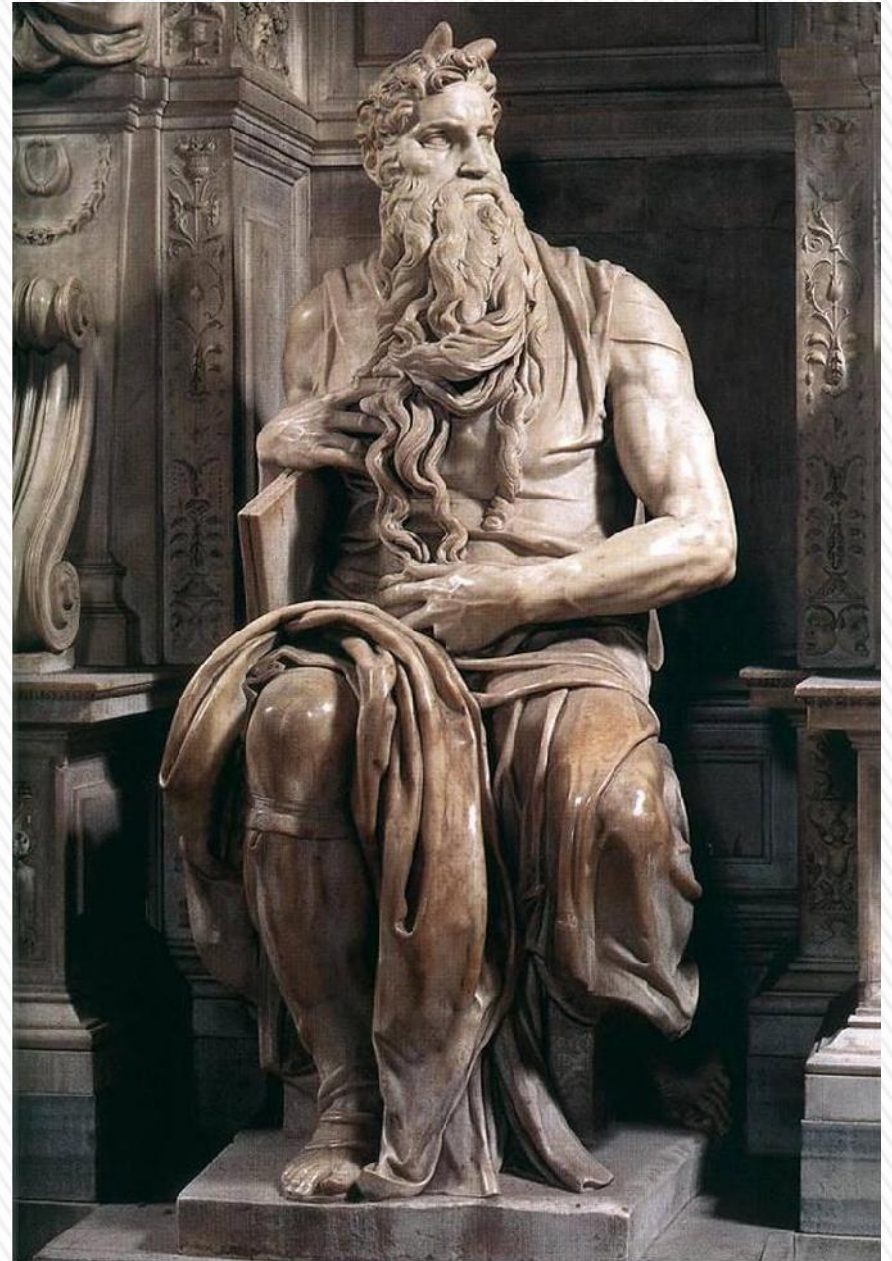


Moses' Meekness and Firmness

“Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth”
(Num. 12:3)

“Yet now, if You will forgive their sin—but if not, I pray, blot me out of Your book which You have written.” (Exo. 32:32)

“Then he took the calf which they had made, burned it in the fire, and ground it to powder...”
(Exo. 32:20)



David's Meekness and Firmness

"So let him curse, because the LORD has said to him, 'Curse David.' Who then shall say, 'Why have you done so?'" (2Sam 16:10)

"The LORD forbid that I should do this thing to my master, the LORD's anointed, to stretch out my hand against him..." (1Sam 24:6)

"For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?" (1Sam. 17:26)

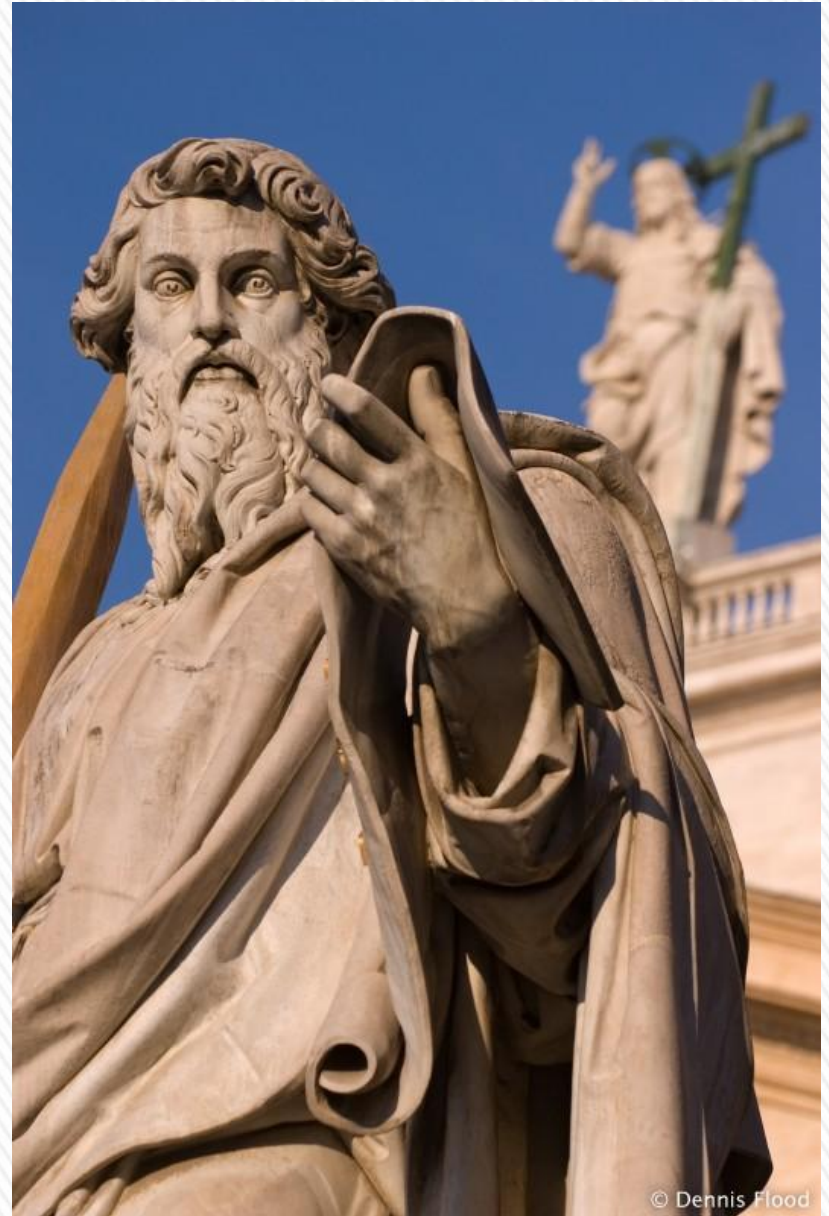


St. Paul's Meekness and Firmness

*“remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears”
(Acts 20:31)*

“I would to God that not only you, but also all who hear me today, might become both almost and altogether such as I am, except for these chains.” (Acts 26:29)

“But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Peter before them all...” (Gal. 2:14)



Meekness is the defense against Satan's attacks



"I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven." (Luke 10:18)

**Glory be to God forever.
Amen.**

