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Spiritual	Experiential	Relational	Instructional
1 Meditate on Romans 16:1-7; 3 John 1:5-12. Memorize two or three of these verses.	Practice “considering the interests of others” (Philippians 2:4). Try to involve others more and not to do the work all by yourself.	Talk with friends about their strengths and praise them in their presence and in front of others.	Study Romans 16:1-7; 3 John 1:5-12.
2 Practice regular fasting (one means to deny yourself), praying for growth in this area.	Practice seeing others through the deep love of Jesus, rather than noting their faults and limitations.	Ask your mentor to keep you accountable to direct praise where it needs to go, and to confront you when you don’t.	Memorize Bible verses about caring and serving one another selflessly.
3 Meditate on how God is the one who enables us in all our labors and deserves the praise for every achievement.	Begin meetings with a time of affirmation of team members and honoring those who contributed to achievements before continuing with agenda items.	Identify people from whom you took credit. Confess to God, then go to the people and ask for forgiveness.	Study the epistles of Paul and how he honored, thanked, and gave credit to others.
4 Meditate on the humility of Christ, and ask God to reveal your pride and deliver you from your need to receive praise.	Recognize your own limitations in every project and activity. Give credit to others when you accomplish things that would not have been possible without their help.	Share your obstacles and challenges in this area with several mature and trustworthy spiritual partners. Invite them to pray for you.	Study Scripture on how value remains the same despite a variety of gifts (e.g., Paul and Apollos in 1 Corinthians 3:5-9).
5 Reflect on times you took credit for someone else’s achievements. Confess these to God, receive His grace, and repent.	Ask others for help on five different projects or responsibilities, and give them credit when they help you complete those responsibilities.	Share your plan for improvement in this area with a partner who can hold you accountable. Invite them to evaluate your growth with you and to help you grow.	Listen to sermons, teaching, or podcasts on Philippians 2 and the danger of self-promotion.
6 Ask God to increase your love and concern for your team and church community.	Remember how you felt when others praised and encouraged you, and do the same for others.	Ask a ministry partner to share their accomplishments. Likewise, share your accomplishments with them.	Prepare a teaching on Philippians 2:4 for your small group or church family. Look for examples throughout the epistle.
7 Pray for those on your team with genuine desire for their growth in God and in ministry.	Seek the Holy Spirit’s discernment in your motivations towards others in everyday interactions. Examine yourself after each week to discern your recent motivations and actions. Do they line up with God’s values?	Take note of other’s accomplishments and mention them in front of others.	Find and read books or articles on giving up your rights (ask a spiritual leader for suggestions).
8 In a time of reflection, examine your past relationships and experiences to identify any deep roots of insecurity or self-justification that may lead to your need to take credit for accomplishments.	Focus on good things that your spouse did and praise them in the front of your children and others.	If you were offended by someone who took credit for what you did, forgive them and consider how it feels.	Listen to audio teachings on Church and Family Life by Malcolm Webber – at least one per week.
9 If your time of reflection exposed roots of insecurity or self-justification, receive prayer for freedom from trusted intercessors.		Participate in a fun sports activity or team game that will give you opportunity to give credit to others, even the opposing team.	Review the life (and death) of Joab, who promoted himself at the expense of others as an extreme example of where self-promotion can lead.
10 Worship God for His accomplishments in your life and in other’s lives.		Ask an intercessor to pray for you in this regard.	Design a few brief skits that dramatize taking credit versus giving credit to others.
11			Study the paths of success and promotion according to God’s ways, and contrast these with the paths of this world. Write out your findings.
12			Look through the Bible for examples of God directly giving credit or recognition to others, even when He deserves it all.