Doctrine of Meekness

1. One of the better qualities of the heart is that of meekness. Meekness is not weakness. Moses was a forceful personality and yet he was known to be a very meek personality.
   - *Numbers 12:3 (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)*

2. The meek person does not overreach and demand more of the resources of life than the Lord has allotted.
   - *Psalms 22:26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the Lord that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.*

3. The Lord has promised many spiritual blessings to the meek.
   - The Lord will guide the meek in making decisions. *Psalms 25:9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.*
   - The Lord will teach the meek the way of holiness, righteousness and wisdom. *Psalms 25:9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.*
   - The meek will inherit the earth. *Psalms 37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.*
   - The meek shall enjoy more peaceful days than anxious ones. *Psalms 37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.*
   - The Lord will protect the meek. Psalms 76:9 of the time “When God arose to judgment, to save all the meek of the earth. Selah”.
   - The Lord will move to minister to the meek in a quiet and personal way, while administering judgment on the wicked. *Psalms 147:6 The Lord lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.*

4. The Lord takes pleasure in all His people, but the meek hold a special attraction for Him.
   - *Psalms 149:4 For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.*

5. The Lord will personally evaluate the case of the poor and the meek.
   - *Isaiah 11:4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity [uprightness] for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.*
6. The meek person has a unique capacity to increase joy in the Lord, for the heart is not agitated with undue worries or desires.

- Isaiah 29:19 The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. The irony is that often, when a person wants nothing, he gets everything.

7. The Messiah was prophesied to preach to the meek and so honor them.

- Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

8. The Lord does not forget those who abuse justice, exploit the poor, greedily go after the land of the weak, and dismiss the meek with contempt.

- Amos 2:6 Thus saith the Lord; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof: because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes; 7 That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father will go in unto the same maid, to profane my holy name.

9. Like every moral attribute, meekness is to be consciously cultivated.

- Zephaniah 2:3 Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger.

- 1 Peter 3:4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

10. Jesus promised inner happiness to the meek, for such is the meaning of the word “blessed.”

- Matthew 5:5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

11. It is not undue modesty to know if oneself is a meek personality or not. Jesus said of Himself that He was meek.

- Matthew 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

12. It was prophesied the Messiah would be meek in manner.

- Matthew 21:5 Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.