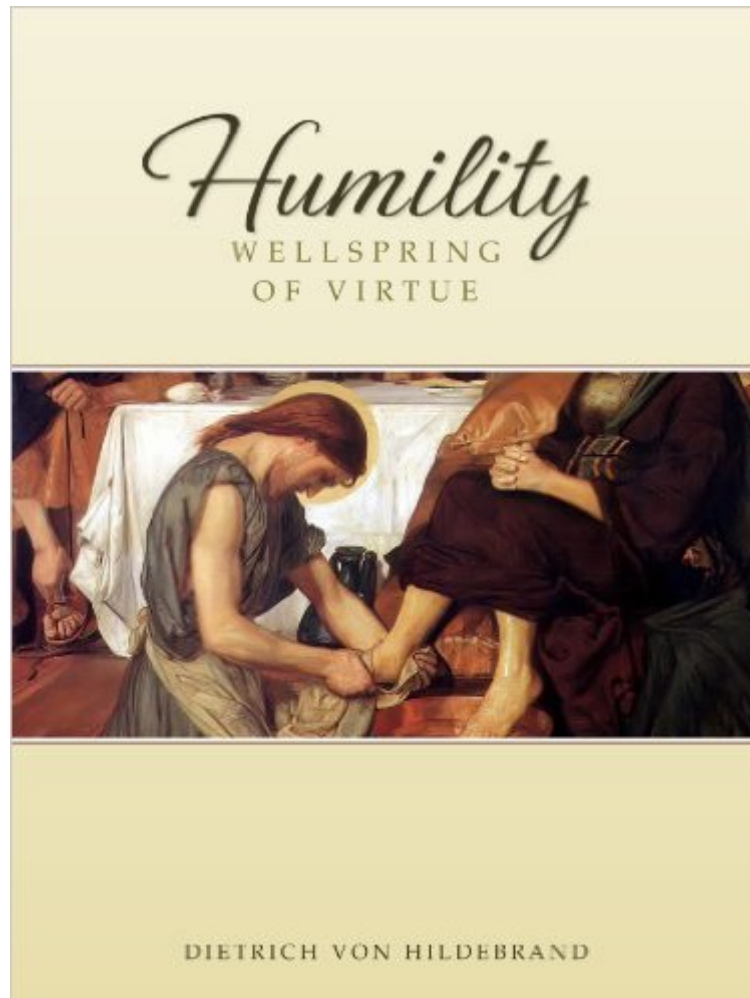


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Of all sins, pride is the most dangerous . . . and the most sorrowful: it cuts you off from God, estranges you from others, and leaves you lost and unhappy. These pages show you how to drive pride from your soul. You'll learn to recognize its many forms (including some that masquerade as virtue), and you'll come to see just why they're such barriers to happiness and to holiness. You'll also discover the incredible strength of humility, the only virtue that has the power to expel every vestige of pride from your soul. These pages will help you to begin experiencing the joys of humility today. You'll learn: -How humility breaks the back of every form of pride • -Why it is impossible to grow spiritually without humility • -Why humility is a form of strength not weakness (as many falsely believe)• -How humility enables you to acknowledge even your gravest sins without despairing • -How humility helps you to see the world clearly, and to love all things in it with greater intensity • -How humility allows you to experience the consolation of God's loving embrace • -Why only humility ensures true freedom • -How humility enables you to see God not as a vague presence, but as a Person who knows and loves you • -How humility helps you to see the dignity of every person (even the dignity of those you're tempted to scorn) • -How humility lets you hear God calling you personally to life with Him • -Why you best imitate Christ, Mary, and the saints by striving for humility • -And much more!

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Always on the quest to sink deeper into humility, I picked up a slender book by Dietrich Von Hildebrand titled, "Humility-Wellspring of Virtue". This short book is actually a collection of passages

from Von Hildebrand's most famous work, "Transformation In Christ", believed by many to be a modern spiritual classic. According to Pope John Paul II, Dietrich Von Hildebrand was one of the great ethicists of our time and a "20th century Doctor of the Church" ("Doctor" is Church-speak for "great teacher"). Pope Benedict XVI also has particular admiration for this German Catholic philosopher. These two endorsements alone should perk up the ears of anyone unfamiliar with Von Hildebrand. Von Hildebrand philosophical expertise is on full-display in this book, as he approaches humility more from a theoretical point of view than a practical one. His incredible intellect is quite evident throughout the book. Many passages caused me to humbly think, "I don't understand this section, yet I'm still somehow aware of its brilliance." In a way, I was humbled as much by the complexity of Von Hildebrand's thought as the message itself. I feel that his words would only be fully comprehensible to a seasoned theologian or philosopher--this book would definitely not be my first suggestion for light reading on the topic of "humility." Despite the difficulty of the book, there were still many gems I was able to pull out. Von Hildebrand dismisses some myths about humility, such as the belief that authentic humility necessitates the devaluing of one's own gifts. He corrects that belief by saying it's not prideful to be honest about the gifts you have, but it is wrong to ascribe their origin to you instead of God.

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