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Isaiah 66:1-16

Let's look at three words from Isaiah 66:2: humble, contrite, and tremble. To be humble is to have or show a modest or low estimate of one's own importance. I love humble people. I suppose the reason why is because humbleness is not one of my major qualities.

Contrite is a feeling or expressing remorse or penitence; affected by guilt. An example is Honeybunn, my yellow Lab. She is usually well behaved, but occasionally some things are too tempting. When I came home and found an empty bread wrapper in the middle of the living room floor I confronted her. "Who did this?" Her head went down, her ears curled in, and immediately she seemed to plead for forgiveness. However, I'm not sure about her degree of contriteness! What better examples of contriteness can be found in Scripture than the prodigal son in Luke 15 and the tax collector in Luke 18?

Peterson, in The Message refers to tremble as "reverently responsive." Humble, contrite, and tremble spell out the behavior that God expects of us.

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