



GENTLENESS

Practice great gentleness toward the poor and toward everyone. Try to satisfy as much by words as by actions. That will be very easy for you if you maintain great esteem for your neighbour; the rich because they are above you, and the poor because they are your masters.

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Louise taught that we are called to treat poor people exactly as we would treat Jesus. For her, our manner of service is almost as important as the service itself.

- How do I reflect gentleness in my dealings with the people I find unattractive?
- Are my interactions with those I serve, along with my co-workers, family and friends gentle? If not, what do I need to develop to become more Christ-like?
- Do I agree with Louise, that those I serve are my masters? Why or why not?

Loving God, I ask for the grace I need to always be gentle, compassionate and respectful towards everyone I am in contact with, in both my words and actions.

Amen.