

Franckesche Stiftungen zu Halle

Mehrsprachiges Gesprächsbuch von [Benjamin Schultze].

Schultze, Benjamin

Madras, 1730

Nachwort

Nutzungsbedingungen

Die Digitalisate des Francke-Portals sind urheberrechtlich geschützt. Sie dürfen für wissenschaftliche und private Zwecke heruntergeladen und ausgedruckt werden. Vorhandene Herkunftsbezeichnungen dürfen dabei nicht entfernt werden.

Eine kommerzielle oder institutionelle Nutzung oder Veröffentlichung dieser Inhalte ist ohne vorheriges schriftliches Einverständnis des Studienzentrums August Hermann Francke der Franckeschen Stiftungen nicht gestattet, das ggf. auf weitere Institutionen als Rechteinhaber verweist. Für die Veröffentlichung der Digitalisate können gemäß der Gebührenordnung der Franckeschen Stiftungen Entgelte erhoben werden.

Zur Erteilung einer Veröffentlichungsgenehmigung wenden Sie sich bitte an die Leiterin des Studienzentrums, Frau Dr. Britta Klosterberg, Franckeplatz 1, Haus 22-24, 06110 Halle (studienzentrum@francke-halle.de)

Terms of use

All digital documents of the Francke-Portal are protected by copyright. They may be downloaded and printed only for non-commercial educational, research and private purposes. Attached provenance marks may not be removed.

Commercial or institutional use or publication of these digital documents in printed or digital form is not allowed without obtaining prior written permission by the Study Center August Hermann Francke of the Francke Foundations which can refer to other institutions as right holders. If digital documents are published, the Study Center is entitled to charge a fee in accordance with the scale of charges of the Francke Foundations.

For reproduction requests and permissions, please contact the head of the Study Center, Frau Dr. Britta Klosterberg, Franckeplatz 1, Haus 22-24, 06110 Halle (studienzentrum@francke-halle.de)

[urn:nbn:de:gbv:ha33-1-222763](https://nbn-resolving.org/urn:nbn:de:gbv:ha33-1-222763)

Among all the Christian Virtues, the Virtue of humility is the highest and best, but now a days very rare. The reason thereof is, because all men naturally are born without this humility and there is seldom heard of in the management of the common Education, in order to teach the humility both in the families at home or in the publick schools. But on the contrary all the World is fond of the naturall course which does abhor nothing more than the virtue of humility. There are schools enough in the countys and the Youth does learn therein many languages and good Morals fit for the Use of this Life, but as for the Lesson, concerning the instruction of the virtue of humility, there is not such a thing as to be found all over the World. This is a strange matter in deed, especially in the Countis, where the Christian Religion is openly professed. It is therefore no wonder at all, that this most excellent Virtue is become as rare as any thing else upon the earth, although the humility is the foundation of all the rest of the other virtues. I say, not unmindful, the foundation of all other virtues whatsoever. Because without this humility

all the other Virtues do lose their own Price and noble Character. Nay, Gentlemen, give me leave to ask You but one word: the Devotion in Prayers self and the Worship of GOD, is the cheifest Office, we are obliged to perform as our duty, but in case this devotion and Worship of GOD is accomplished without humility? You will certainly say; they are both good for nothing, and I am with You of the same Opinion. Now what is to be done? what is the Advice, that we may be acquainted with this humility? It is high time to look for her, to draw nearer to her lodging, to learn in her school, so that we may be brought into her divine Light in order to become happy in this World and in that to come. Here is our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of GOD, the most Excellent Doctor, coming down from above heaven to teach this principall Virtue of humility. He himself is the only Pattern, by which we may learn this humility. He teacheth this Virtue by words, he teacheth also by his Deeds. Because all what we do observe on Him, is but a Doctrine, recommending divine Virtues and especially, this noble Virtue of humility. In all his Conversation, Carriage, behavior, speech and Works we do see, hear and perceive nothing else but Humility.

But we must here not fancy, that our Lord's Humility only has been outwardly, no, by no means his Humility was as really within as without. Because humility consists not in exterior things or words, but in the very root of the heart. Therefore says He: I am meek and humble of Heart. Seeing now, Gentlemen, on one side, that the Virtue of humility is of an exceeding high Estimation and thus absolutely necessary, that no body without her Passport can enter the limits of heaven; but on the other side, that our Lord Jesus Christ teacheth her freely, granting to every one the admittance in his school, to the very end that we all may become partakers of his Humility. Let us therefore from this very moment begin to study for the future nothing so earnestly as this Lesson! Let us endeavour, how we shall become humble. To change only the outward manners, this will be not enough, but we must go on further and change our very heart, or to speak plainly, to be changed by the grace and help of God Almighty into the Image of Jesus Christ. And this must be done by true repentance and contrition of the soul, as forsaking and dying the whole world with all vanities. May Jesus Christ, the Author of Humility teach us this worthy Lesson! May it

please Him to make us altogether humble in
our very heart and daily (concoction), is, Dear
Gentlemen, at present, the good Wish of your
most humble servant.