

**"Let This Mind Be In YOU!"
Philippians 2:5-11**

The humility of Jesus in becoming a man is an amazing example of His heart AND His desire for our relationships with one another. Today we will consider a classic text and be challenged by . . .

I. The MIND-SET of Christ (vv.5-6) → His Attitude

- **His Mindset Toward Others (5)**
(Matt 11:29; Rom 12:2; 1 Cor 2:16; 2 Cor 10:5; Col 3:2)
- **His Mindset Toward Himself (6)**
(Jn 1:1; 10:30; 14:9; Col 1:15-16; Col 2:9; Heb 1:3)

II. The MISSION of Christ (vv.7-8) → His Actions

- **To Be a Servant of Men (7)**
(Matt 20:26-28; 2 Cor 8:9; Gal 4:4; Heb 2:14, 17; 4:15)
- **To Be a Sacrifice for Men (8)**
(Matt 26:39; Jn 5:19, 30; 8:28-29; Gal 3:13; 2 Cor 5:21; Heb 5:8)

III. The MAJESTY of Christ (vv.9-11) → His Authority

- **The Reinstatement of His Majesty/Authority (9)**
(Matt 17:1-2; 23:12; Jn 17:5; Eph 1:20-23; Jas 4:10; 1 Pet 5:6)
- **The Recognition of His Majesty/Authority (10-11)**
(Acts 2:32-36; 5:31; Rom 14:11; Is 45:23; Rev 5:12-14; 19:16)

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Small Group Discussion Guide

Icebreaker: Jesus left Heaven to serve and sacrifice for us! Who is someone who sacrificed to help meet a practical need for you?

1. Share something from Sunday's message that challenged you.
2. Read and discuss Philippians 2:5-6. Why does Paul want the Philippians to "Let the mind of Christ" be in them? (Consider verses 2-4 in answer) What can we do to help make our thinking more Christlike?
3. Read and discuss Philippians 2:7-8. What was Christ's mission/ purpose in becoming a man? In what ways can we continue to carry out that mission?
4. In John 5:30 and elsewhere Jesus said, "I seek not my own will, but the will of the Father." How can we make sure we are seeking God's will and not our own will as we live our lives?
5. Read and discuss Philippians 2:9-11. Why are these verses so important? What does it mean to you personally that "Jesus Christ is LORD?"

Digging Deeper

Read the following verses that teach us what it means to have a Christlike mindset (Matt 9:36; 11:29; 20:26-28; Lk 19:10; Jn 4:34; 5:19, 30; 8:28-29; Col 3:2; Rom 12:2; 2 Cor 8:9; 10:5; Heb 2:14; 5:8). What steps can you take to have a more disciplined Christlike mind?

Read Philippians 2:1-4 and jot down some observations as to how these verses relate directly to verses 5-11. Write out Philippians 2:3-4 on a small index card and carry it with you throughout the week. Read and reflect upon these verses several times each day until you can recite it and reflect upon it from memory. What is something you can do to apply these verses this week? Do it! 😊

For Next Week – Our mortgage burning praise service! Be sure to give thanks to God for His blessings to us at Cornerstone. Come prepared to share a praise for how any part of the last 7 years at Cornerstone (from our decision to build to our paying off the mortgage) has impacted your faith and growth. Ask God to show you how you can continue to do your part in serving with our church family.