

PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

Sermon Reflection Questions

These questions are designed to help individuals, families, and small groups discuss and apply passages in the Philippians sermon series as taught at Grace Bible Church in fall 2018.

Observe & Interpret

Read Philippians 2:1-11. Trace Paul's flow of thought in this passage. Specifically, how does 2:1-4 relate to 1:27-30? Also, how does 2:5-11 relate to 2:1-4?

How does Paul define unity in this passage? What is the source of unity in the church?

Why does unity require us to be humble and unselfish (2:3-4)?

What are the causes and effects of disunity in the church?

What does it mean that Jesus Christ "emptied Himself"? Was He less than God while on earth (cf. Matthew 24:36; Mark 5:30-31; John 1:1-3, 14; 17:5; Colossians 2:9)?

According to this passage, what are the results of Christ-like humility?

Apply

What attitudes or situations can cause you to assert your own rights and to think about yourself first, rather than about other people?

How does Christ's model of humility uniquely motivate you towards humility?

List at least five principles from Philippians 1:27-2:11. Remember, a principle is simply a fact or command stated or implied in the passage that is relevant to your own life.

Memorize: Philippians 2:3

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves.