

PHILIPPIANS

Deepening Relationships with God and Others

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Reflect + Discuss

- When you were a kid, how would you have answered the question: What do you want to be when you grow up? What qualities were considered valuable to attain in your upbringing (i.e. to be kind, generous, successful, responsible, etc.)?
- Read Philippians 1:27-30. Paul says to conduct yourself in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ. What does this mean? How should we live in light of being citizens of the Kingdom of God?
- Read Philippians 2:1-5. How is biblical humility different from our culture's definition (having a low opinion of yourself)? Do you want to become a more humble person? Is that a goal for your life?
- Read Philippians 2:2. Paul calls the Philippians to "be like minded." How is unity different from uniformity? Are you close to people who have different opinions and perspectives than you do? How does biblical unity reflect God to the world?
- Read Philippians 2:6-11 and Romans 8:14-17. How does our new nature, status, and future as co-heirs with Christ give us the freedom to put others above ourselves? Is there an area in your life in which God might be calling you to put others first?

Pray

- Pray that God will help us to grow in our capacity to value others above ourselves and put the interests of others above our own. Pray for God to help us to have the same mind and attitude as Jesus in our relationships with one another.

Next Steps

- Invest time in memorizing Paul's prayer, which is Philippians 1:9-11. Make a plan to memorize these verses on your own, or with your group.
- Check out the [resources page](#) for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out [courses](#) for the fall.