

WORSHIP

JOY/FULL
Joyful Obedience | Philippians 2:1-11
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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

As you listen to the sermon today, think through the importance of the Scriptures call of minute by minute obedience.

Write down what God is revealing to you concerning your own obedience.

NEXT WEEK: JOY/FULL Philippians 3

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1. WELCOME

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs right at the beginning of the meeting.

2. VISION/PURPOSE

God designed us for relationship. How can we stay connected with each other during the COVID-19 epidemic?

3. SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing and discussion.

4. OPENING PRAYER

5. READ SCRIPTURE PASSAGE/TELL BIBLE STORY PASSAGE

6. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use a good mix of Head (informational/study) questions, Heart (personal reflection) questions, and Hand (practical application) questions. Below are questions your group can pick from to follow along with the sermon series.

7. PERSONAL SHARING AND PRAYER REQUESTS

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that encouragement and connection can happen during the week.

QUESTIONS

WARM UP: When you look back on your childhood, would you say you were a rule keeper or a rebel?

HEAD: These questions help us examine the Word.

1. Read Philippians 2:1-4. What is Paul emphasizing as far as a believer's attitude and actions?
2. Read 2:5-11 Reflect on the profound humility and attitude of Jesus. In what ways is He the supreme example of humility and obedience?
3. Read 2:12-13. In what ways is a disciple called to follow the example of Jesus?

HEART: These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.

4. What is the difference between obedience and legalism? Said differently, what is the difference between "checking a box" and joyful obedience?
5. Why is minute by minute obedience important for a disciple? Isn't church attendance and daily devotions enough?

HAND: These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life.

6. What does a growing obedience look like with you and Jesus?
7. What idol/attitude do you need to most surrender in order to live out a joyful obedience?