

Weekend Resources

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Week 2 - Ego, Pride, & Tribalism

Use these questions and resources during your study time or with your group.

RECAP: In a world shaped by outrage, tribalism, misinformation, and endless noise, how do we learn to think clearly, live wisely, and love well? Discover how followers of Jesus can develop discernment, resist division, and adopt the mindset of Christ. The goal of the Christian life isn't simply to be right—it's to think like Jesus.

MAIN POINTS

- It's not about me.
- I could be wrong.
- Who does this help?

GETTING STARTED

- What's something you find surprisingly hard to share, give up, or let someone else have their way about?

SCRIPTURE

- Philippians 1: 9-11, Philippians 2:3-4, 5-8, 9-11

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- **Jess describes three mindsets: Power ("I can"), Freedom ("I may"), and Jesus ("Sacrifical service and surrender of self")**. Which of these mindsets do you see most often in the world around you? What stands out to you about the differences between them?
- **Philippians 2 describes Jesus as someone who gave up his privileges and took the position of a servant.** What do you find surprising, challenging, or compelling about that picture of Jesus? How does it compare with the way we typically think about power and influence?
- **Jess suggests that the Freedom mindset can make people fair, but it can't necessarily make them loving.** What do you think the difference is between treating people fairly and genuinely looking out for their good? Why might that difference matter in our relationships and communities?

APPLICATION

- Which of the three points from the message — "It's not about me," "I could be wrong," or "Who does this help?" — is hardest for you to embrace right now? Why?
- Think about a relationship or situation where you feel defensive, frustrated, or determined to get your way. What might it look like to approach that situation with the mindset of Jesus?
- Where might God be inviting you to let go of some control, credit, or personal preference for the good of someone else? What makes that difficult?

RESOURCES

- **Closing Prayer:** God, thank you for showing us what it looks like to live with the mindset of Jesus. Help us to let go of our pride, our need to be right, and our desire to put ourselves first. Give us the humility to listen, the courage to admit when we could be wrong, and the willingness to look out for others. Help us reflect your love in our relationships and in the way we move through the world. Amen.