

Use this guide as a resource for your community group to help you engage further with this weekend's sermon.

## Same Mindset, Love, Accord (Philippians 2:1-2) May 5, 2024

- 1. Reflect on your experience: What is it about our sinful nature that makes unity so fragile?
- 2. What are signs of a disunified church, and how might this affect its witness in the world?
- 3. In verse 1, Paul discusses the following 'motives' for unity:

Encouragement in Christ Comfort from love Affection and sympathy Participation in the spirit

- a. What about these is uniquely Christian?
- b. How can these motivate you toward more unity?
- 4. In verse 2, Paul gives three 'marks' for unity in the church:

Be of the same mind Have the same love Be in full accord and one mind

- a. What does it look like to do these?
- b. What does it look like to not do these?
- 5. Apply these motives and marks to your real relationships with people in our church family. Consider sharing with your group your answers to the following questions, and ask them to pray for you:
  - a. How are you contributing to unity?
  - b. How are you contributing to disunity?
  - c. Relying on the Holy Spirit working in you, what can you start doing and stop doing to contribute to unity?