

## SUNDAY RECAP

In our **Living on Mission** series, we're focusing on the idea of **transformation** - the heart of where God is leading Fair Oaks Church in this next season. On Sunday we anchored in Philippians 1-2. Before you begin, take a moment together to pause and invite the Holy Spirit to guide hearts and conversations.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Philippians 1:27 & 2:1-4

**OPTIONAL ICEBREAKER:** See if anyone in your group can recall our church mission.

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. Revisit Philippians 1:27. How does this verse challenge you? How is it helpful?
2. **"Transformation happens in / with / because of Jesus and in community."** How has God used other people to shape, challenge, or grow you? Why do you think God chooses to do so much of our formation through relationships rather than in isolation?
4. In Philippians 2:3-4, Paul highlights humility and valuing others above ourselves. Why do you think humility is so essential for unity?
4. Unity is a gift from God to His Church. It is described as something we **keep**, not create (Ephesians 4:2-3). What makes maintaining unity difficult in the church?
5. Pastor Donny suggested that the biggest obstacle to unity isn't disagreement but **self-centeredness**. Where do you see that play out (personally or communally)?
6. What's the difference between being *like-minded around Jesus* versus just sharing preferences, opinions, or politics?

**Application:** Where might Jesus be inviting you to move from **"I have to"** toward **"I want to"** in your faith or relationships?

**Stories of Transformation:** Throughout this series, we've been hearing personal stories of transformation from members of the vision team and elders. Consider these questions in the coming weeks...

- As you've listened to stories shared, what has stood out to you?
- Where can you see that God has been at work forming you?
- If someone asked you, *"How has Jesus changed you?"* how would you begin to answer?

**Practice Sharing:** If time allows, invite someone in the group to share a testimony of their own transformation (or plan to share at a future meeting).

- Reflect on where transformation has happened (or is happening) in your life
- Share by starting with *"One way I see Jesus forming me is ...."*

**GROUP PRAYER TIME:** Share any personal requests before praying together. Ask God to deepen your connection to Jesus, cultivate humility, and empower your community to reflect Christ to others.



# DIGGING DEEPER

Philippians 2:1-11

## MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE

Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast (Apple Podcasts & Spotify) to listen to just the message. Check out *Cutting Room Floor* episodes that further unpack sermons and insights from preachers.

## UPCOMING EVENTS [Learn more at fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

- 2/5: **WFO Brunch** | 9:30-11:30a | FLC, AMC | Speaker: Rachel Schottky
- 2/7: **Vision Deep Dive** | 8:45a-12p | Fair Oaks Church (Room TBA)
- 2/8: **Food Drive** | Bring donations to Worship Center lobby
- 2/11: **Hope Gathering for Widows** | 6-8p | Dinner & Fellowship | FLC
- 2/13: **Food Distribution at FO/OV Food Bank** | 9a-12:30p | Volunteers Needed | Sign up at fairoaks.church/events
- 2/15-2/22 **WINTER GUEST HOUSE** | Volunteers Needed to help us host unhoused neighbors through HART Organization | Sign up at fairoaks.church/events
- 2/18: **Ash Wednesday** | Self-guided prayer & ashes

