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Together*

Philippians 2:1–11 (CSB)

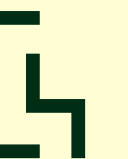
If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, ² make my joy complete by thinking the same way, having the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. ⁴ Everyone should look not to his own interests, but rather to the interests of others.

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as something to be exploited.⁷ Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man,⁸ he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death — even to death on a cross.⁹ For this reason God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow — in heaven and on earth and under the earth —¹¹ and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



Bible Reader

“This is the Word of the Lord.”

Response

“Thanks be to God.”

*Christianity means community through
Jesus Christ and in Jesus Christ.*

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

John 17:21, 23 (CSB)

²¹ May they all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us ... ²³ I am in them and you are in me, so that they may be made completely one, that the world may know you have sent me and have loved them as you have loved me.



Called to Love

Just one thing: As citizens of heaven, live your life worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Philippians 1:27



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Philippians 2:1–2

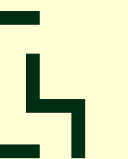


Called to Serve

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves.

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Philippians 2:3–4



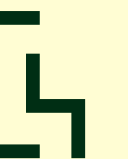
It was through Pride that the devil became the devil: Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind ... Pride is essentially competitive ... Pride gets no pleasure out of having something, only out of having more of it than the next man.

C.S. Lewis

Jesus: An Example Worthy of Praise

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Philippians 2:5–8



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Philippians 2:9–11



Given this example, none of us can ever humble ourselves too much. None of us will ever surpass the humility that Christ has demonstrated here. None of us may ever say, “Enough. I deserve better, so I will stop here.”

Steven Lawson

Benediction

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Colossians 3:12–13