

## The G-od Life Part 2: Some People

**Objective:** To challenge listener to have a humble Christ-like attitude in EVERY relationship.

**Read together:**

*So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

**Philippians 2:1-11**

- What is it, to you, that makes some people annoying and others fun to be around? Have you ever stopped to consider that you might be a "some people" to someone else?
- One of the things that helps us find joy in others is having unity (being one) with them. Why do you think unity is so absent in our society today?
- What are some practical things you can do to be in greater unity to the people you worship with, work with and live with?
- Why does focusing on create greater unity than focusing on each other?
- Have you ever had someone in your life who only cared about themselves? How did that impact your sense of joy in that relationship?
- Have you ever taken the time to evaluate whether your focus was more on you than it was on others?
- Paul tells us that the best way to love others is to imitate Jesus? Read Philippians 2:5-8 again. Have you ever met someone who imitated Jesus like that? How did it show up in their life?
- What would it look like in your life if you imitated Jesus?

**Final Thought:** We all have people in our lives who can suck the joy out of any relationship. This week prayerfully consider how you can love those people like Jesus.

