

Title: JESUS HIGHLY EXALTED

Main Scripture: Philippians 2:5-11

THE SOURCE OF HIS EXALTATION (v 9)

(Mat 23:12, 18:2-4; Jam 4:10; Rom 12:3; 1 Pet 5:6)

THE <u>RESPONSE</u> TO HIS EXALTATION (vv 10-11a)

(Isa 45:23-24)

OUR <u>RESPONSE</u> TO HIS LORDSHIP

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Small Group Sermon Study | Philippians 2:5-11

Opening Prayer: Father God, thank You for the chance to be together around Your Word. Please empower us with the Holy Spirit, to learn, to grow, and to be changed by You. In Jesus' name, amen.

Icebreaker: How do you define greatness? Share an example of someone you have looked up to in your life because you thought of them as great. Why was this person great to you?

Read the key passages of Scripture and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

- 1. What stands out to you about God exalting Jesus after He died on the cross? Why do you think that this is so important? How does it express the love and power of God?
- 2. There is a Kingdom principle that whoever exalts himself will be humbled and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. What positive and negative examples of this principle do you see in your daily life? How have you experienced this Kingdom principle in your own life (both positively and negatively)?
- 3. If Jesus is the exalted Lord, then we've got to dethrone ourselves. Describe a time that you were dethroning yourself. What was that experience like? How could you as a group actively dethrone yourselves for God and for others?
- 4. Lots of people don't have a problem with Jesus, but they have an issue with Jesus as Lord. Why do you think the Lordship of Jesus is such a challenging issue for people? How has it been a challenging issue for you?
- 5. What behaviours and patterns in your life indicate a life of submission to Jesus as Lord?
- 6. What specific action steps could you take, and your group take to posture yourself in submission to the Lordship of Jesus? Share some examples with the rest of the group.

Personal Prayer and Reflection:

- 1. How do you start your day? How could you start your day in submission to the Lordship of Jesus? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you in this important area.
- 2. In what ways could you celebrate and tell others about the Lordship of Jesus? Ask Jesus to help you with this.
- 3. Jesus is coming soon. How does that make you feel? One day, every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Tell Jesus your response to this truth. You may be excited, hopeful, afraid, or concerned for someone in your life. Pray about your response and ask for the Lord Jesus to help you.

Take some time to pray for each other and encourage one another.