



A Picture-Perfect Reflection of Jesus Christ Philippians 2:1-11

Philippians tells us that we are to be in unison with the Lord Jesus Christ. Why? He is our example. We need someone to follow.

Jesus is that person to follow and, in his Word, he gives us principles to follow so that at the end of the day, we can say that I am just like my Dad.

So, what are we to learn this morning from the Word of God?

We can receive comfort in Christ (Philippians 2:1-5). There is comfort to know that you can be like Christ!

How many of us had dreams of becoming the person we idolized, whether it was an athlete or historical figure?

The good news is we can be like Jesus! We can have the same mind, same love, being in full accord and of one mind! Let's look at these:

Same mind- Oneness in our thinking.

Same love- The word for love here is the Greek *agape,* a love. A that is unconditional and one that does not go away. It means holding the other person in higher esteem that we do our own selves.

Full accord- This means to be "co-spirited." The same Holy Spirit that was in him as also in us! He leads us, guides us, delivers us so that we reach a common goal: To be like Christ! **One mind-** Like identical twins, where you cannot tell the difference. It is that oneness God wants to develop in you and me.

We can receive humility in Christ (Verses 6-8). Jesus Christ- in human form emptied himself of his right to act as God and to become a servant and give us an example on how to best live.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10

Humbled Himself- Jesus Christ willingly submitted to the will of the Father in all things, including death (Luke 22:42). We mustn't think we are smarter than God. We should stop and submit to Him (Psalm 121)!

We can take comfort that He is Ruler of the World (Philippians 2:9-11). After submitting to the will of God in death, Jesus assumed his position as Ruler of the World!

When the world looks at you, who do they see? Is your laugh and looks and character just like

the Father or do you and I need to get some things right with God? Let's pray that when the world sees us, they see Jesus!

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