

DEEP JOY: THE MESSAGE OF PHILIPPIANS

July 9th, 2023
Part 5: "The Joy of Humility"
Philippians 2:1-11

Author: Paul writing with Timothy in AD61-62 // **Audience:** The church in Philippi // **Melodic Line:** As God's people, pursue deep joy in Christ through progress in the faith and partnership in the Gospel.

BIG IDEA:

Three principles for pursuing - and finding - the joy of humility:

I. _____
(2:1)

A. _____
(Jn 15:1-5, Rom 6:1-4)

B. _____
(Jn 13:1)

C. _____
(Eph 4:1-3)

D. _____
(Luke 7:47)

II. _____
(2:2-4 cf. Heb 13:17)

A. _____
(2:2 cf. Rom 12:16, 15:5-6; 1 Cor 1:10; 2 Cor 13:11; 1 Pet 3:8-9)

B. _____
(2:3-4)

III. _____
(2:5-11)

A. _____
(2:5-8 cf. 1 John 3:14-16)

B. _____
(2:9-11)

DEEP JOY CHALLENGE: What are some practical ways my family and I can pursue humility for the sake of our joy in Jesus?

What to do right after the service to help “the Word dwell more richly,” within us (Colossians 3:16):

1. Instead of rushing off after the service is over, or talking about the latest news, develop the habit of talking about the sermon with people after church. Start spiritual conversations by asking, “How did the Scripture challenge or speak to you today?” Or “what about God in the message encouraged you?”

2. Encourage someone by sharing things you learned about God from His Word during the sermon. Make note of how your thinking has changed. Don’t let biblical teaching be a one-time event that fades from memory as soon as it is over (James 1:22-25). Choose one or two particular applications to share.

[Above from book Nine Marks of a Healthy Church Member by 9Marks]

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND FURTHER RESOURCES TO DIG DEEPER



REDEEMER BIBLE FELLOWSHIP
UPWARD. INWARD. OUTWARD

These questions are designed for discussion in the context of our Growth Groups. Growth Groups provide a space for more personal discussion as well as fostering genuine relationships. Please work on these questions before the group meeting to help us have a good time of discussion.

If you would like to be in a Group, email info@redeemermedford.org and we will be in touch.

UPWARD: What does this message teach us about God and His ways?

- The relationship between the two natures of Christ can be difficult to get our heads around. Read the chapter from the Second London Baptist Confession - how do the writers carefully explain the person of Christ?
- How did each of Christ's actions illustrate humility and a concern for the interests of others (Phil. 2:6-8)?

INWARD: What does this message teach us about life in the body?

- What would happen in our relationships if we lived out Philippians 2:5-11? How can you go from being a "grasper" to a "giver"?
- Why can humility be a challenge when it comes to body life? What are some ways to push through that challenge and truly serve one another?

OUTWARD: What does this message teach us about the mission of God?

- Who are you praying for and sharing the Gospel with this week?

DIGGING DEEPER:

Resources to help you think deeper about this week's Bible message. Recommended resources are not an endorsement of all the authors have said or written.

Something to Read:

Free Grace Broadcaster #168: Pride and Humility (available free from www.chapellibrary.org)

Free Grace Broadcaster #183: Christ the Mediator (available free from www.chapellibrary.org)

The Person of Christ: An Introduction - Stephen Wellum

Humility: The Joy of Self-Forgetfulness - Gavin Ortlund

Something to Listen to:

The Humiliation of Christ - John MacArthur (available from www.gty.org)

Humility: The Path to Glory (2-pt series) - John MacArthur (available from www.gty.org)

The Towering Greatness & Tender Humility of Christ - Alan Cairns (available from www.sermonaudio.com)

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Redeemer is reading through the Bible this year - join us on our journey through God's Word! Copies of the full plan can be found at www.fivedaybible.com

MON	1 Kings 12, 2 Chron 10-11, Titus 1
TUES	1 Kgs 13-14, 2 Chr 12, Psa 47, Titus 2
WEDS	1 Kgs 15, 2 Chr 13-14, Titus 3
THURS	2 Chr 15-16, 1 Kings 16, Philemon
FRI	1 Kings 17-18, Psa 119, Jude