



Leader

5/28 - Philippians 2:1-11

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)

- *Internal*: How was your week...anything new?! How is your walk with the Lord? Did you have any opportunities to share the Lord with anyone?
- *External*: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement? How can we pray, encourage, and show love to them?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
[Dialogue]
2. Let's read our primary text. What are the characteristics of Paul's opponents in Philippi? What is Paul calling the Christians in Philippi to do?
Paul is urging these believers to resist the temptation to operate like his opponents (selfish, vain, conceited). Rather, he wants them to do the opposite and have a humble, loving spirit towards others, like that of Christ.
3. When you are having a conversation with someone, do you see them as more significant than yourself? Do your words reflect that? Does your listening reflect that?
[Dialogue]
4. Jesus was obedient to the point of death. What is your threshold for obedience?
"I am obedient to the point of _____ (inconvenience, social ostracism, financial strain)."
5. Paul starts verse 9 with "therefore." What does that connection mean in this passage? What statement is Paul making with this transition?
Paul was stating that Jesus was God. And he modeled for us what Christian living should look like. And because Jesus maintained this loving posture even until death, God has highly exalted him above all other things, and should receive our praise and worship.
6. If you exemplified this text in your daily life. What do you think the impact would be? One day, one month, one year? What do you think would happen?
[Dialogue]
7. When you conclude reading this text, what is the overarching theme? What does all of this point to?
Everything is about the glory of God. All of our humility, all of our love, all of Jesus's examples point to the glory of God.
8. How does this text cause us to change? What does it make you consider in your own life?
[Dialogue]
9. How might you share this passage/truth with someone else? A child? A family member?
[Dialogue]

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Is there anyone that needs an invite to our church or this group?
- Is there anyone you know who needs to hear what we learned today in God's word?
- Does anyone here need a "refresher" on how to share the gospel?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Without getting too specific, is there anything you want to confess before the group? [apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply his word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.

HOMEWORK:

- **Memorize our weekly "Fighter Verse" - Proverbs 15:1**