

Philippians: Joy in the Journey
The Mind of Christ
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Joy flows from unity and humility modeled by Christ.

1 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

1. Unity Grows from Encouragement in Christ

1 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. Philippians 2:1-2

2. Christ's Humility Is Our Example

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, Philippians 2:5

Ekenosis - To deprive of content. To empty

3. God Exalts the Servant King

9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, Philippians 2:9

The world says, "Lift yourself up." Jesus says, "Lay yourself down, and I'll lift you up."