

Community Group Sermon Application Questions- Week of Sunday 10/27

Philippians 2:5-11: "Christ's Humility and Exaltation"

Central Truth: We must get low to know the way to glory, and we must stand tall knowing Jesus wins.

Begin by reading the passage together. In this passage we see:

5 Earth-Shaking Truths about our Servant-King and our Response

--He renounced his rights as God; --He humiliated himself to rescue us; --He went to the cross to secure our salvation; --He arose, ascended, and rules at the Father's right hand; --He will return in power to bring perfect justice

Our Response: Get low to know the way to glory; stand tall knowing Jesus wins.

- 1) How is Christ's humility on display in this passage? What does His action reveal to us about the nature and activity of God? How does God's action toward His creation clash with other (false) religions conceptions of God?
- 2) What does it mean that Jesus "emptied" himself (v. 7)? What does it also not mean? Why is it so essential that Jesus maintain his divine nature while assuming human nature? What's at stake in how we describe Jesus if we aren't careful here?
- 3) How is Jesus' model of leadership different from a worldly view of leadership? How can you put this type of life in practice today?
- 4) What comfort does it bring that Jesus has risen, ascended, and sits at the Father's right hand now? Discuss how this truth provides us peace amid a crazy, confused, and chaotic world (as well as an upcoming election).
- 5) Describe the hope and confidence that comes from the reality that Jesus will bring perfect justice. What does it look like for us to fight for God's justice today while also resting in the truth that He will rule forever in glory? How can we encourage each other in the church with this truth?