



The Humiliation of Christ

Philippians 2:5-11

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1. As a group, who would you include on a top 5 list of humble people? To clarify the scope of the question, think about people from history, current events, or someone you know personally. Who qualifies and why? Any “honorable mentions”?

Paul’s Illustration (verse 5)

1. It has been said that, “*The problem with humility is that as soon as you think you are... you aren’t.*” Why is genuine humility so hard for us?
2. “*Have this mind*” is an imperative (a command without wiggle room). We are to have the same gut level mind set that Jesus had. How is this attitude even remotely possible for us?

Description of Jesus #1: Who Jesus is (verse 6)

1. Are there any Bible verses that help you personally to understand who Jesus is?
2. These days, what does it mean for you personally to worship Jesus?

Description of Jesus #2: What Jesus did (verses 7,8)

1. In your own words, how would you describe what Jesus did?
2. These days, how does what Jesus did impact you personally?

Description of Jesus #3: Who Jesus glorified (verses 9-11)

1. What examples are there in the Bible of Jesus glorifying God the Father?
2. How does the exaltation of the Jesus bring glory to God the Father?
3. How might Jesus’ glorifying of God the Father be an illustration for you?

Processing all that... What would the gut level Christ-like mindset of humility look like in your life?

Who we are:

1. How does Paul’s illustration remind you of your position before God?
2. These days, how are you living mindful of your position before God?

What we do:

1. “Christians aren’t perfect, just forgiven” is:
 - a. A cop out
 - b. Pure arrogance
 - c. A true statement of our position in Christ
 - d. Totally misunderstood
2. Thinking about what was shared in today’s message: We should apologize for the wrongful acts of those who have claimed to be Christians. True or false?
3. Often Christians are perceived as hypocritical, judgmental, and arrogant. Is any of this perception valid? Why or why not?
4. What might you personally do that might help change some of this perception?
5. How might having an attitude of humility open doors of opportunity for sharing the gospel?

Who we glorify:

1. Who does your life testify of? (me) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 (God)
2. Assuming that there is some room for growth here, what might you do this week to allow God greater control of your life? Or: What would it take to move the above number one digit to the right?