

Receiving the Mind of Christ

Discussion Questions for Philippians 2:5-11

1. Stop and read Isaiah 53, and marvel at the humility of Christ and at His atoning work.
2. What did Paul exhort believers to have? (2:5)
3. What did Christ set aside when He became a man? (2:6–8)
4. How did Jesus limit Himself? (2:6–8)
5. How was Christ fully God and fully man at the same time? (2:6–8)
6. How is Christ the best example of humility and unselfishness for us? (2:6–8)
7. Why did Christ take on the limitations of being human even though He was of the same nature as God? (2:7)
8. How did God the father exalt Jesus, God the Son? (2:9)
9. How did Christ win sovereignty over all people and over everything? (2:10)
10. What confession will every person make? (2:11)
11. What kind of disposition does Christ want us to have?
12. How does Christ's example of humility challenge our natural self-centeredness?
13. What practical steps can you take this week to demonstrate humility in your relationships?
14. For the sake of unity in Christ, what petty squabbles should you clear up right away? How?
15. 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"?
16. How is Jesus' model of leadership different from a worldly view of leadership? How can you put this type of life in practice today?