

BE LIKE JESUS

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NOTES:

1. The **example** of Jesus (vs. 5-8)

1 Peter 2:21

John 8:24

John 1:1-5,14

Colossians 1:15-20

Mark 10:45

John 6:38-40

Matthew 26:39

Galatians 3:13

2 Corinthians 5:21

2. The **exaltation** of Jesus (vs. 9-11)

Hebrews 1:1-4

Romans 10:9-10

Matthew 23:12

James 4:6

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS:

REVIEW:

1. In our last study of Philippians 2:1-4, Thomas offered up "WWJD" (What Would Jesus Do) bracelets. If you took one and wore it, what impact did it have on the decisions you faced?

THIS WEEK'S SERMON:

1. This week we're looking at Philippians 2:5-11. Before hopping into the discussion questions, walk through this exercise together as a group:

Read this passage out loud as a group (from two different versions). Have one group member summarize the passage as they would to a child. Overall – what specific details stand out to you in the passage? What does this passage teach us about God? What does it teach us about people? What does this passage call us to do?

- 2. In verses 5-8, Jesus gives us "The **example** to follow." What do these passages highlight that correspond to Philippians 2:5-8?
 - Mark 10:40-45
 - John 13: 12-17
 - 1 Peter 2:21
- 3. Having a mind like Jesus is key because "outlook determines outcomes." What tangible practices or rhythms can we implement in our life to grow in having a mind like Jesus?
- 4. Jesus willingly left the highest of highs (the glory of heaven) to take on the lowest of lows (a criminal's death on a cross). Discuss the following components of what Jesus did and how we can follow His example in these same areas:
 - Jesus was willing to let go of His position, power, and privileges.
 - Jesus was humble.
 - Jesus was obedient.
 - Jesus surrendered His will to the Father.
- 5. In verses 9-11 Paul describes "The **exaltation** of Jesus." Think about the significance of this in light of the verses below. How does a proper view of Jesus as Lord help us to follow His example?
 - Colossians 1: 15-20
 - Romans 14: 7-12
 - Revelation 1:12-18
 - Hebrews 12:1-3
- 6. Thomas wrapped up the sermon with the simple encouragement to "be like Jesus." Ask God to help you fill in this blank: "This week I will be like Jesus by ______."