

Sermon Questions

Memoirs of a Prisoner of War

This week, we discussed how we can best serve our Lord Jesus Christ and His kingdom in Heaven. In our society, being a servant can often become about comparison. In other words, it's easier to judge the service of others rather than allowing God to earnestly show us our own hearts. Becoming a servant for Jesus Christ involves resting in our identity, believing in who God says we are, and acting upon what we believe. May God continue to grow us as servants as we continue to seek Him.

Please review the sermon notes below...

Our Attitude Towards Serving Philippians 2:1-4

Experience the blessings that motivate us. (1)

Embrace the beliefs that liberate us. (2)

Engage the behaviors that accelerate us. (3-4)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week, you can [watch it here](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group, now is a great time to get involved. Please go to our [online Small Group platform](#) to get connected with a group that will work for you.

Questions. Don't forget #12

1. What are some of the blessings mentioned in Philippians 2:1 that believers can access? How have you experienced some of the blessings discussed? What difference does experiencing these blessings make in your life?
2. Why does it become so easy to forget the blessings that we have? What causes you to focus too much time on this earth rather than focusing on your Father in heaven? How can you change your focus to be more centered on what Christ has done in your life?
3. When was the last time you focused on all Jesus Christ has done in your life? What are some areas in your life that you can thank Jesus for right now?
4. What are some of the elements of unity discussed in Philippians 2:2? How can you personally apply this verse in your own life? Which of the areas discussed in this verse are most helpful to you at this time?

5. Why is unity so important in the church? Why would unity in the mission of Jesus Christ bring joy to His followers?
6. How would staying on mission be important for a local church? Why would unity be an imperative for that mission? When a church is not united in mission, what may happen as a result?
7. In reading Philippians 2:3-4, how difficult is it to apply these verses? Why?
8. What would your life be like if you never did anything from a selfish motive? What would your life be like if you never did anything to be noticed by others? What specific area in your life are you convicted by this truth? What does God want to change in you?
9. What would our world be like if every believer truly considered other people as more important than themselves? Where do you need to begin to preference others? How would relationships in your life improve if you started to preference others more?
10. How can you look out for the interests of others? What does it mean to look, listen (learn), and love others? Which of these three skills is the most difficult for you?
11. How would living the truths in these verses positively impact marriages, families, work relationships, our community, our politics, etc.?
12. Who is the one person you are going to preference this week? Why?