

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

⁶Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be grasped;

⁷but made himself nothing,
taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to death - even death on a cross!

⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth, and under the earth,

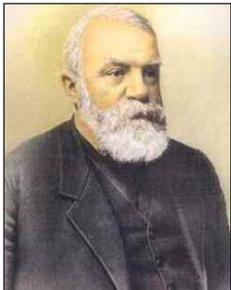
¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.



A SERIES ON PHILIPPIANS 2

“Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus”
Philippians 2:5

1. An attitude of humility 2:1-5
- 2. An attitude of servanthood 2:5-11**
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Dwight L. Moody
(1837-1899)

I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything,
but I can do something. What I can do, I ought to do,
and what I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

An Attitude of Servanthood Philippians 2:5-11

My attitude is to be...

THE NATURE OF A SERVANT

v.6 Who being in very nature God

Jesus is God _____

Col 1:5 He is the _____ of the invisible God

Col 1:15 By Him, all things were _____

v.7 ...but made Himself _____

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Col 2:9 In Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in _____

What Jesus put aside:

What will it take for us to put aside the things of this world and take the nature of a servant:

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John 13:1-17 Jesus washes the feet of the disciples

(Also Ephesians 2:10)

OBEDIENT UNTO DEATH

v.7-8 How Jesus humbled himself:

1 Cor 6:19-20 You are _____ you were bought at a price.
Therefore honour God with your bodies.

Jesus is calling us to _____

v.9-11 Why Jesus was exalted to the highest place:

Luke 9:23

What we have been called to:

1. Read Philippians 2:5-11. What are your thoughts as you read this passage? What stands out more than anything else to you?
2. How would you describe your attitude over the past week? Did you treat every person as the most important person on earth?
3. Jesus put aside the things of heaven, His position in heaven and His will. Why?

If we are to have the same attitude, what are we to, "put aside"?

4. Henry Varley said to Dwight L. Moody, "the world has yet to see what God can do with one man fully surrendered to Him." Moody responded by resolving to be such a man. What do you think it means to be "fully surrendered"? What would it look like in your life personally? (Also read D.L. Moody's quote on the back of this sheet)
5. Jesus took the nature of a servant. If we are to have the same attitude as Jesus, in what way are we to be servants? Also, explain what the 'nature of a servant' means.
6. Read John 13:1-17. What was the reaction of the disciples to Jesus? Do you think they understood, when Jesus said, "Do you understand what I have done for you?" What did Jesus mean when he tells us in verse 15, to go and do as I have done for you?
7. Jesus was obedient unto death, even death on a cross. If this is to be our attitude also, compare this to Luke 9:23. Explain what it means on a personal, daily, basis.
8. How, are you being called to serve?