



The Humility of God — Part 1

Philippians 2:1-4

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REVIEW — Let's remember what we learned in our study of vs. 1-30

Meet the Philippian Church (vs. 1-11)

Rejoicing in the Progress of the Gospel (vs.12-18a)

To Live Is Christ (vs. 18b-26)

Live As Worthy Citizens (1:27-30)

INTRODUCTION — A Culture of Confidence: A.K.A. **PRIDE!**

The Evidence — The Culture

The Exhortation — The Connection ... ***“Therefore ...”*** v. 1

This is about a **CONCLUSION** (connected to 1:27-30)

This is about an **INTRODUCTION** (connected to 2:5-11)

The Example — The Christ (1:27,29; 2:1,11)

LESSON – The Humility of God-Part 1 2:1-4

I. THE MOTIVE – Why Should We Live Humbly? v. 1

- The Conditional Expression – “If ...” really means **SINCE**.

- The Christian’s Experience – 4 things

“if there is any **encouragement** in Christ, ...”

“if there is any **consolation** of love, ...”

“if there is any **fellowship** of the Spirit,

“If any **affection** and **compassion**, ...”

II. THE MATTER – What Does Humility Look Like? v. 2

- The Request – “Make my **joy complete** by being of the same mind...”

Question – What would make my joy complete? _____.

- The Requirements – 3 things

1. **LOVE** intentionally “... maintaining the **same love**, ...”

2. **LIVE** harmoniously “... **united** in spirit, ...”

3. **LONG** collectively “... **intent** on one purpose.”

III. THE MEANS – How Do We Live Humbly? vs. 3-4

- Don’t be **COMPETITIVE**. “Do nothing from **selfishness** or empty **conceit**, ...”
- Be **CONSIDERATE**. “But with **humility** of mind regard one another **as more important than yourselves**; ...”
- Be **CARING**. “... do not merely **look out for your own personal interests**, but also for **the interest of others**.”

APPLICATION – What are some ways I can express humility?