



Discipleship Resource

“A Copernican-Like Revolution”

Philippians 2:1-11

Scripture Memory

“Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.”

Philippians 2:3-4 (ESV)

Sermon Summary

As a church, how do we live in unity together? According to Philippians 2, we cultivate unity in four key ways. The first two practices are placed in the negative. First, we abandon selfishness because it places us at the center of the community instead of Christ. Second, we reject conceit because it inflates our view of ourselves while looking down on others. The last two practices are placed in the positive. Third, like Christ, we humble ourselves by valuing others. Fourth, like Christ, we humble ourselves by looking to the interest of others.

Discussion Guide

- How does it move you to know that Christ gave up his rights to look out for your needs?
- In what ways does selfishness and conceit destroy a community?
- Practically, where and how can we uproot selfishness and conceit in our hearts?
- How does the gospel empower us to put the people of God before our preferences?
- What steps can you take to humbly value others and look out for their interests this week?

Prayer Guide

- As a disciple, praise God that Jesus gave up his rights to look out for our needs on the cross
- For your family, pray that humility would be the atmosphere of our hearts and homes.
- For our church, pray that selfishness would be uprooted so that humility would be cultivated.
- For our city, pray that the church in Birmingham would look out for the needs of the city.
- For our world, pray that the global church would in unity display the selflessness of Christ.