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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Serve in a Worthy Way August 10, 2025

Summary

In the second message of the *Worth It* series, Kyle spoke from Philippians 2:1–11. Paul teaches that the key to living in unity with others is to have the same humble, servant-hearted mindset as Jesus. Even though Jesus was God, He didn't use His power for Himself. Instead, He humbled Himself, served others and gave His life for us. We're called to follow His example—letting go of pride and selfishness, putting others first and serving like Jesus. This matters in our relationships and in how we serve in the church. As people saved by Jesus, we serve—not just to get things done, but because serving helps shape us to be more like Him.

Scripture

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,

being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man,

he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death—

even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place

and gave him the name that is above every name,

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:1-11 (NIV)

Let's Start

Can you think of a time when living with or working with someone felt especially difficult? What made it hard, and how did you respond?

Gratitude and Prayer

How has God worked in your life since we were together?

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Let's Talk

1. What relationship in your life feels strained right now? How might reflecting on what Jesus has done for you change the way you respond in that relationship?
2. Paul lists three ways to love others (no selfish ambition, no self-importance and putting others first). Which one do you find the hardest to live out and why?
3. Why do you think Paul chose Jesus as the only example to follow, rather than giving lots of practical tips?
4. Kyle shared two things to do when facing a conflict:
 - Focus on what Jesus has done, not the other person.
 - Talk to Jesus about your response.How might focusing on Jesus change the way you feel or act in a conflict?
5. How does Jesus' humility and sacrifice challenge your view of leadership and power?
6. In what ways could you serve someone this week—either personally or at church—in a way that reflects Jesus' heart?
7. Are you currently serving at Wooddale? If so, how?
8. What did you learn from Josh and Jill's Faith Story?

Let's Act

This week, continue to pray before your conversations. Ask Jesus to help you respond to people in a way that reflects His humility and love.

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