



MESSAGE REVIEW

The Good News of Jesus just keeps coming. Those who belong to Christ have so many spiritual blessings in Him – encouragement, comfort and fellowship with the Holy Spirit! Through the Holy Spirit, we now have the mind of Christ and we can choose to live in that power: in unity, humility and with tenderness and compassion. Our lives are no longer lived for ourselves, but for the benefit of others.

WARM UP QUESTION

Talk about a time in your life when you went out of your way to impress someone.

1 Read **Philippians 2:1-11**. What four rhetorical questions does Paul ask the Philippians in vs. 1? Talk as a group about how you've experienced each one of these blessings in Christ.

2 How should experiencing each of these blessings help us achieve the unity of vs. 2?

3 Verses 3-4 give us some very practical Do's and Don'ts. What are we to get rid of and what are we to replace it with instead? What would it look like to do this in your own life? Who benefits when we live this way?

4 Read vs. 5 in the NIV and ESV. Have someone also read **I Corinthians 2:16**. What do followers of Jesus already have through the power of the Holy Spirit in them? How do vs. 6-8 go on to explain the mind we already have? How do you need to also choose to walk in that attitude and mindset?

5 What did God do through Jesus's extreme act of humility (vs. 9-11)? Jesus's humiliation led to His exaltation. Where in your life do you long for exaltation while still attempting to forego humiliation (humility)?

RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you do it?

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