Members' Handout - Philippians 1:27-2:11 Series: Philippians





1. Consider 1:27-2:4. What are the two main things Paul encourages the Philippians to do that reflect a life "worthy of the gospel"?

2. Paul points the Philippians to the example of Christ in 2:6-8:

a) How do these verses display Christ's humility?

b) What compelled Christ to suffer death on the cross?

3. How might having the mind of Christ shape the way the Philippians view their suffering?

4. How might having the mind of Christ compel them to consider the interests of others?

5. Consider some of the "pressures" or discomfort that we face:

a) trying to live faithfully for the gospel OR

b) our interactions with others in the community who might be difficult to love or serve

How do we usually respond to these "pressures" or discomfort? How might it make us turn inward and focus on ourselves?

6. Meditate on Jesus' incarnation, death and exaltation in 2:6–11. How might this comfort or challenge us in the pressures we face? How might it encourage us to consider the interests of others even at the cost to ourselves?

7. Read Phil 2:6-11. Pray these verses over what was shared, asking the Spirit to encourage us by making the humility that Jesus displayed for us real and the anticipation of Jesus' glory which we will one day experience. Consider memorising and committing these verses to memory as a CG.