

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week Four Philippians 2:1-11

PRAY

Take time **before** your discussion to pray with and for one another. Be sure to write down the things you'll be praying for so you can continue to pray for your group throughout the week.

→ If you're meeting virtually, use the Chat feature to write out these requests as they are shared. Use that list as a reference during the prayer time (and you can copy & paste it for your reference later in the week).

INTRODUCTION

Describe the personality and behavior of the most humble person you know.

Why can humility be such a difficult trait to model? What does this tell us about ourselves?

READ PHLIPPIANS 2:1-4

What four areas of unity did Paul desire for the Philippians? How would describe what Paul meant by each phrase?

How are each of these areas represented in our church and in our relationships?

What does it mean to consider someone "better than yourself"?

READ PHLIPPIANS 2:5-8

What would it mean for you to have the attitude of Christ?

Though culture often views humility as a weakness, in what ways did Jesus' humility convey and require strength?

READ PHLIPPIANS 2:9-11

For what reason did the Father exalt the Son, according to these verses?

How does this passage challenge society's definition of success?

APPLY IT

If we're to be the church Jesus wants in our community, what types of sacrifices should we be prepared to make?

What steps do you need to take this week to focus on the being more Christlike?

PRAY TOGETHER

Begin with statements of gratitude and praise to God for the work of Jesus on our behalf. Ask God to help you reflect daily the qualities of love, generosity, humility, and faith as you out the gospel, and that by doing so, others would be drawn to Jesus.