YOUR ATTITUDE DETERMINES YOUR ALTITUDE

Philippians 2:1-11
Cornerstone Church of Poway
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THREE CHARACTERISTICS OF A GREAT ATTITUDE:		
1. SHE	OTHERS ABOVE HERSELF.	
"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves." Philippians 2:3 (NIV)		
Notes:		
2. SHE	_OTHERS.	
"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 10:45 (NIV)		
Notes:		
3. SHE	FOR OTHERS.	
"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16 (KJV)		
"You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had." Philippians 2:5 (NLT)		
Notes:		

THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS AND HIS DOWNWARD MOBILITY:

1.	JESUS HIMSELF.
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4.	JESUS BECAME UNTO DEATH.
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5.	JESUS DIED ON A
	"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 or earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:9-11 (NIV)
	Notes:
	My next right steps to having a great attitude, I will: [] Show value to others by serving them [] Volunteer to shadow for a day: [] Kids [] Teens [] Tech [] Worship [] Admin [] Café [] Prayer Quilt [] First Impressions [] Share my story of faith [email to: church@cornerstonepoway.com] [] Accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior

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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in

faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honors your group's time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

Icebreaker: Out of all the chores you must do, which one do you like the least? Out of all the chores at home, which one is the humbling? Who does it?

What thoughts from this week's message encouraged you to live a life for Jesus?

Commentary: Life Application Study Bible.

Jesus Christ was humble, willing to give up his rights in order to obey God and serve people. Like Christ, we should have a servant's attitude, serving out of love for God and for others, not out of guilt or fear. Remember, you can choose your attitude. You can approach life expecting to be served, or you can look for opportunities to serve others.

THREE CHARACTERISTICS OF A GREAT ATTITUDE:

1. Valuing Others Above Yourself Read Philippians 2:3

How do you approach life? To be served or to serve others?

Who do you know that shows the best example of being a servant to others?

2. Serving Others Read Matthew 10:45

Why did Jesus come down from heaven? How does this affect the way you live your life?

Commentary: Life Application Study Bible. This verse reveals not only the motive for Jesus' ministry but also the basis for our salvation. A ransom was the price paid to release a slave. Jesus paid a ransom for us because we could not pay it ourselves. His death released all of us from our slavery to sin. The disciples thought Jesus' life and power would save them from Rome; Jesus said his *death* would save them from sin, an even greater slavery than Rome's.

3. Sacrificing For Others Read John 3:16

How did God prove His love for us?

Besides God, who has sacrificed for you?

Who have you sacrificed time and money?

Read Philippians 2:5

How does your attitude shape the way you act?

THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS AND HIS DOWNWARD MOBILITY: Read Philippians 2:5-11

JESUS EMPTIED HIMSELF.

Commentary: The MacArthur Study Bible.

Emptied Himself. From this Gr. word comes the theological word "kenosis"; i.e., the doctrine of Christ's self-emptying in His incarnation. This was a self-renunciation, not an emptying Himself of deity nor an exchange of deity for humanity (see <u>v. 6 [note]</u>). Jesus did, however, renounce or set aside His privileges in several areas: 1) heavenly glory—while on earth He gave up the glory of a face-to-face relationship with God and the continuous outward display and personal enjoyment of that glory (cf. Jn 17:5); 2) independent authority—during His incarnation Christ completely submitted Himself to the will of His Father (see <u>v. 8 [note]</u>; cf. Mt 26:39; Jn 5:30; Heb 5:8); 3) divine prerogatives—He set aside the voluntary display of His divine attributes and submitted Himself to the Spirit's direction (cf. Mt 24:36; Jn 1:45-49); 4) eternal riches—while on earth Christ was poor and owned very little (cf. 2Co 8:9); and 5) a favorable relationship with God—He felt the Father's wrath for human sin while on the cross (cf. Mt 27:46; see 2Co 5:21 [note]).

What did Jesus give up in order to save us?

JESUS BECAME A <u>HUMAN BEING</u>.

Why was this such a sacrifice?

JESUS BECAME A SERVANT.

List all the ways Jesus served.

JESUS BECAME <u>OBEDIENT</u> UNTO DEATH.

If Jesus was God and knew He would rise from the dead, how difficult was it for Jesus to be obedient?

JESUS DIED ON A <u>CROSS</u>.

Read Philippians 2:9-11

When did you humble yourself and proclaim Jesus is your Lord? What does Jesus being your Lord mean for you?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.