



Philippians

a life worth living

#3 A Life of Humility
Prairie Rose EMC, March 7, 2021
Pastor Mike – Phil. 2:1-18

1. A Life of Connection – Phil. 1:1-11

Phil. 1:3. *“I thank my God every time I remember you”.*

2. A Life of Purpose – Phil. 1:12-30

Phil. 1:21 *“for me to live is Christ and to die is gain”.*

3. A Life of Humility – Phil. 2:1-18

Phil. 2:3 *“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.”*

Matthew 23:12 *“For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”*

James 4:6 *“God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”*

4 types of pride:

- Vanity
- Stubbornness
- Exclusiveness
- Approval Addiction

“Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became 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 every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Vs. 5-11



“You can pay me now, or you can pay me later!”

“You can bow now, or you will bow later”

“You get no credit for kneeling when it's become impossible to stand.” CS Lewis



¹² *... continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.”*



¹⁴ *Do everything without complaining or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe*

Two Results when we live humbly:

- 1. Expanded Influence (vs. 15-16)**
- 2. Personal Joy (vs. 17&18)**

¹⁷ *But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. ¹⁸ So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.*



J - Jesus
 O - Others
 Y - You!

“Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.” C.S. Lewis

Am I here for Jesus or myself?