

Developing an Others Orientation Notes

Philippians 2:1-11

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Main Point: The only remedy to no longer live for ourselves is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Purpose

1. Purpose – the _____ for which a person or thing exists or was created.
2. Purpose does not come from looking within, or fulfilling some desire of the heart not rooted in God.
3. When we look outside of ourselves, that is a step in the right direction.
4. True purpose must ultimately be found in the transcendent (beyond space and time) – confirmed in _____ (2 Corinthians 4:18, 2 Corinthians 5:15).

So if there is any...

1. Encouragement in Christ
2. Comfort from love
3. Participation in the Spirit
4. Affection and sympathy

Complete My Joy – What Paul is Longing to See

1. _____.
2. By being of the same _____, same love, full accord, one mind (Romans 15:5-6, 1 Corinthians 1:10, 2 Corinthians 13:11, Colossians 3:12-17)

What Can We do to Bring More Unity to the Body of Christ?

1. When we make _____ issues ultimate, we often (un)knowingly create disunity and break fellowship with our brothers or sisters in Christ (Galatians 5:19).
2. The only way to truly be unified is by _____ ourselves (vs. 3).

How is it Possible to do Nothing from Selfish Ambition or Conceit? (1 Peter 5:5-7)

What is Humility?

1. Humility is a modest or low view of one's own _____; humbleness.
2. It doesn't mean putting yourself _____ or hating yourself.
3. It doesn't mean not taking care of yourself.

How do You Know if You Are a Disciple?

1. Do you _____ (John 15:5)
2. Do you love one another (John 13:35).
3. Do you bear fruit? (John 15:8).
4. You will be happier, more joyful, more blessed when you live this way.

How do I know if I'm Being Selfish or Not? What Can I do to Combat Selfishness?

1. Look _____ of yourself (Galatians 6:2, Philippians 2:1-4)

How do We do This?

1. Looking to the _____ of others as Christ did (vs. 5).
2. The passage now shows us Jesus' example.
3. "From of God" is very _____ of God.
4. Jesus is 100% God and 100% man.
5. Vs. 7 is the incarnation.

What Does It Mean That Jesus Emptied Himself?

1. Jesus did not empty Himself of His _____ attributes.
2. It is better to think of Christ's "emptying" of Himself as laying aside of the _____ that were His in Heaven (2 Corinthians 8:9).

How Did He Do This?

1. By taking the form of a _____.
2. Jesus, the ultimate example of humility.
3. Served and _____ feet (John 13:14, John 1:27, 30, Philippians 2:8, Isaiah 53, Hebrews 12:2)

What Kind of Faith Do You Have?

1. _____ faith
 - Religion – set of beliefs that give meaning to reality.
 - Using God as a means to an end like the Pharisees (Matthew 13, Mark 4)
2. _____ faith
 - Depending on location, people, circumstances.
 - Immature – milk not solid food (1 Corinthians 3:1-3)
3. _____ faith - Ever-growing/increasing
4. _____ faith (Job, Paul, Jesus)

The Message of the Gospel is Inclusive and _____ at the Same Time (John 3:16 – inclusive, John 14:6 – Exclusive)

What Was I Made For? What's My Purpose? I was made to _____ God by loving Him and loving others.

Application

1. We must have the right _____.
 - See _____ correctly – we are not good and cannot be good apart from Christ (Romans 3:10)
 - See _____ correctly – God incarnate, must love Him with everything (Matthew 22:37)
 - See _____ correctly – all made in the image of God, must love others as ourselves (Genesis 1:26, Matthew 22:39).
2. We must act accordingly.
 - Put it into _____ (James 1:22)