

Christ-Like-Minded

The Church's Model for "Fleshing Out" the Gospel
Philippians 2:5-13

INTRODUCTION: "The hype and the huddle"

1. The Church's ultimate model. 2:5-11

- a. The glory of selflessness. 2:6-7
- b. The glory of servanthood. 2:8
- c. The glory of satisfaction. 2:9-11

2. The Church's urgent motivation. 2:12-13

- a. The glory of selflessness. 2:12 a
- b. The glory of servanthood. 2:12b
- c. The glory of satisfaction. 2:13

APPLICATION: Following Jesus' model of incarnational ministry.

1. Jesus started small.
2. Jesus entered the culture.
3. Jesus targeted the heart.
4. Jesus gave people hope.

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- What aspect of Jesus' incarnation, as you see it described by Paul in Philippians 2:5-8, impacts you the most?
- What evangelism motivational principles do you find in this passage (2:5-13)? List several.
- Why do you think Paul made the statement in Philippians 2:12 regarding obedience whether he was present or absent? How do you seek to be accountable to God and others for your Christian attitude and behavior?
- On a scale of 1-10, with 1 being poor and 10 being strong, rate your attitude in terms of Christlikeness:
 - As you interact with family members
 - As you interact with co-workers
 - As you interact with church members
 - As you interact with the community around you
- Review Jesus' model of incarnational ministry. In what ways can you begin today to follow His example in sharing with others?
- What ways can we as a church begin to intentionally engage with our neighborhood and community?