



# BECOMING LIKE JESUS Servanthood

## Week 8 | Becoming Like Jesus: Servanthood Gospel Community Leaders Guide

### Pray

As you begin, pray with your group. Pray that this discussion would help build a culture of service in our church. Pray that your group would not serve out of guilt, compulsion, or a desire to be noticed, but out of joy, humility, and thankfulness.

### Discuss

Discuss this week's sermon and the following questions:

*So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. - Philippians 2:1-11*

Discuss the following themes from Philippians 2 and this week's exercises:

Humility - purposefully thinking of others before we think of ourselves, and considering them more important

- How did Jesus model humility in His time on earth?
- In what ways do we resist modeling humility like Jesus did?
- What does it mean to “count others as more significant than ourselves”?

Emptying - Not looking to use what we have as an advantage over others (just as Jesus did not use His divine nature as an advantage over His human one)

- What are some things that we use to give ourselves an advantage over others?
- What does emptying ourselves look like in our culture?

Secrecy - Giving and serving anonymously--without looking to be noticed or rewarded

- What are some reasons we want our service to others to be noticed?
- What do we want people to know or notice about us when we serve?
- How does this reveal our insecurities?