



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of January 16, 2022

Please use these questions to stay connected as a church to meditate on the same sermon preached from God's Word this week. May this be a fruitful time for the building up of our church and for the spread of the gospel.

Sermon Text

Philippians 2:3-8

3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, <http://hawaiikaichurch.org/sermononline>

Summary

In this week's passage, we are challenged to live humbly, considering others as more important than ourselves. To the unbelieving world, this kind of humility may seem like a weakness, but for Christians, we know this to be the model set forth for us by our Lord Himself. How can believers live in such a "revolutionary" way? We must rely upon God's Spirit, His Word, prayer, and the encouragement of the church.

Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think the world associates weakness with humility? What does the world not understand about true godly humility?

2. Practically, what does it look like when you "consider others more significant than yourselves"? What would our church, our families, our workplaces look like if everyone actually looked "not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others"? Why is it sometimes difficult for Christians to follow this command?

- 3. In Philippians 2:5-7, Paul gives us the example of Christ and exhorts us to have this same mind ourselves. What did Christ do for us and why? How should this move us to follow His example?**
- 4. In our sermon today, we were reminded that Christ has given us what we need to obey this difficult command: His Spirit, the Scriptures, Prayer, and His Church. Although all are necessary, which one is most significant for you and why?**
- 5. What does it mean that discipline will take you places motivation can only dream of? What role does discipline play in living a humble, other-centered life?**