

Philippians



WHEN JESUS IS THE STANDARD, THE CHURCH UNITES!

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“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,

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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

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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

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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

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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

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is Lord, to the glory of God the
Father.”

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“There are no letters in the New Testament apart from the problems of the church.”

~ Karl Barth

Quoted in R. Kent Hughes, *Philippians*, pg. 74

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**Look to Jesus and
unite in love, humility
and servant hood.**

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I. How Do We Strive For Unity?

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1. Remember your experience when you were first united with Jesus.

“...*Complete my joy* by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.”

~ Philippians 2:2

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“Paul was so passionate about this that he cared little about himself as long as the church was getting it right. Though he was in prison on a capital charge, chained, guarded 24/7,

~ R. Kent Hughes
Philippians, pg. 76

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afflicted by those who should be his friends, with execution at hand, he rested his joy in Christ and the gospel and insisted that his joy would be “complete” if they lived out their unity in

~ R. Kent Hughes
Philippians, pg. 76

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the gospel. That's all the happiness Paul sought! He knew that to be gospel oriented is to be others oriented."

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“There is an openness implied in that line: “Let each of you look not only to his own house, job, money, family, and friends, but also to the house, job, money, family and friends of others.””

~ Matt Chandler

To Live Is Christ, To Die Is Gain, pg. 75

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- 1. Remember your experience when you were first united with Jesus.**
- 2. Think like Jesus and 'empty' yourself.**

“And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

~ Matthew 20:24-28

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It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,

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and to give his life as a ransom
for many.”

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“If I then, your Lord and Teacher,
have washed your feet, you also
ought to wash one another’s feet.
For I have given you an example
that you also should do just as I
have done to you. Truly, truly, I
say to you, a servant is not greater
than his master.”

~ John 13:14-16

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“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

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