

Real Joy: Descending into Greatness - Part 2
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I. The Attitude of Christ

1. Christ was equal with God.
2. He chose to descend.
3. God highly exalted Him.

II. Our Attitude in Christ

1. Our nature is self-exaltation.

“James and John, the two sons of Zebedee, came up to Jesus, saying, ‘Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask of You.’ And He said to them, ‘What do you want Me to do for you?’ They said to Him, ‘Grant that we may sit, one on Your right and one on Your left, in Your glory.’ ”

“Hearing this, the ten began to feel indignant with James and John.” (Mark 10:35-37, 41)

2. God greatly honors humility.
3. Christ did for us what we cannot do on our own.

Faith Sheet

Transformation Verse – Worship (Him) in spirit and truth. John 4:24

Main Points: God honors humility. He loves a humble heart. He is passionate about the glory of His name. He will always honor those who are humble and humble those who are proud.

#1 – Reviewing this Past Sunday **Real Joy: Descending into Greatness - Part 2** **Philippians 2:1-11**

1. Read Philippians 2:1-11. Discuss the message with someone.
2. In what specific ways do you see pride surface in your life? How have you seen pride lead to division?
3. Read James 4:6. What does God say about pride?
4. In what specific ways have you seen Christ cultivate humility in your life?
5. What are ways you can humbly serve those whom God has placed in your life?

#2 – Preparing for Next Sunday **Real Joy: Standing Out in a Crowd - Part 1** **Understanding God's Role and Our Role in Salvation** **Philippians 2:12-18**

1. Read Philippians 2:12-18. What stands out to you?
2. What are we commanded to do in vs. 12?
3. How is this command lived out? (13) See also John 15:5.
4. Describe what our everyday lives are to look like. (14-16)
5. How did Paul view ministry and his life? (17-18)
6. Ask some people who know you - *What characteristics stand out about me because I know Christ?* Encourage one another to shine brightly.