

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-11
Singing: 10:1-3 – 306:1-4 – 62:1-4 – 321:1-4

Let Us Study Philippians (15)

Intro: *The Mirror of Heaven*

A. Phil. 2:5-8 is an intimate revelations of Jesus Christ's heart

1. The Gospels reveals His history
2. This passage reveals a glimpse of His mind

B. Purpose of this glimpse: *change – reformation*

1. Scripture often presents Jesus as the saints' example
 - a. Matt. 11:29: *Take my yoke upon you, and learn of Men*
 - b. John 13:12-17, 34: *I have given you an example that ye should do as I*
 - c. 1 Peter 2:21: *... leaving us an example that ye should follow His steps*

<p style="text-align: center;">THE GLORY OF THE MIND OF JESUS CHRIST (1)</p>

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| <p style="text-align: center;">I. Ready to forgo His own glory II. Ready to humble Himself
III. Ready to fulfill the servant's task</p> |
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I. The Glory of the Mind of Jesus in His readiness to forgo His own glory

A. What was in the 'mind of Jesus?'

1. A readiness to put Himself aside *entirely* (vs. 5-7)
2. This glorious mind of Jesus is framed more sharply in vs. 6-7
 - a. 6a: He was in the form of God: Col. 1:15; Heb. 1:3; 1 John 1:5
 - b. 6b: He thought it not robbery to be equal with God
 - c. 7a: But made himself of no reputation

B. To appreciate depth of His mind, contrast Him to us as man/woman

1. We were made in image – likeness of God: *What did we do?* (Genesis 3)

2. He was the express image of God: *What did He do?*

Living this truth ...

A. What does God call His servants to be: *Let Jesus Christ's mind be in you!*

B. How are we doing in the life *that is 'becoming of the Gospel of Christ?'* (1:27)

1. God's purpose is revealing this is *change*

a. His salvation work is all about changing sinners

b. Since we find change difficult, we often resist it

c. Consider this change a *may* rather than a *must*

2. What is a changed and worthy of Christ life look like?

a. It begins with *thinking differently – thinking through Christ's mind*

b. It includes *leaving our comfort zones* (vs. 6-7)

c. It is always asking *"What would Jesus do ... ?"*