

## **Philippians 2:1-11 Study Questions**

### **Read Philippians 2:1-4**

In v. 1 Paul lists five blessings or attributes of the Christian experience.

Discuss what each means to you?

Encouragement in unity,  
comfort of Christ's love,  
fellowship in the Spirit,  
tenderness,  
compassion.

How is our joy in Christ made better:

... when we are like minded?  
... when we share the same love?  
... being one in spirit and purpose?

How are unity and humility related?

What does it mean to consider others better than ourselves?

What does it not mean?

In what ways can we look out for the interests of others?

How does this help the spirit of the church?

### **Read Philippians 2:5-11**

How is the life of Jesus an example of humility?

How did Jesus express humility in relationships with others?

In what ways did Jesus "take the nature of a servant?"

How is this an example for us?

How can we be humble and confident at the same time?

What image comes to mind from vs. 9-11?

What will be the difference from doing what is explained in vs. 9-11 voluntarily now vs. being forced to do it in eternity?

What is the attitude of your non-Christian friends toward the idea of being forced to kneel in recognition of Jesus Christ?

What blessing or guidance do you receive from this passage?

(Questions are based on the New International Version of the Bible. Other translations may add insight into the answers to the questions.)