

SCC Small Group Study – January 1, 2023
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Reset our Mindset
Philippians 2:1-8

Getting Started:

How would you define the word “humility”?

Describe the personality and behavior of the most humble person you know.

Searching the Scriptures:

- A. Which four specific areas of unity that pastor Rick described from Philippians 2:1-2 resonated with you the most? What is your “action plan” for that?

- B. Read John 13:34-35. What additional insight does Jesus’ commandment give into the purpose of unity among Christians?

- C. Why would unity and love among the church complete Paul’s joy, as he noted in verse 2?

- D. What does it mean to consider someone “better than yourself” (v. 3)?

- E. Read Mark 10:43-45. How did Jesus describe His own attitude? Why is serving others necessary if you want to display humility?

- F. What do you think it was like for Jesus to leave heaven and become human? What did He give up in doing so? What did we gain from His action?
- G. What are some specific examples of Jesus' humility in Scripture? Consider the following: Birth—Luke 2:16; Temptation—Matthew 4:7; Possessions—Matthew 8:20; Hunger and fatigue—Mark 3:20; Love for the unlovely—Matthew 8:2-3; Obedience—Matthew 26:39; John 6:38.

Application of Scripture:

- A. What steps do you need to take in this coming year to be able to focus on the goal of having the mindset of Jesus?
- B. Why is humility such a challenging trait to model? What does this tell us about ourselves?
- C. What is one specific way you can imitate Christ's humility this coming week?