

Week 4: The Counter-Cultural Call

Series: Philippians - Finding Joy Right Where You're At

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-4

Reader: Philippians 2:5-11

"if" = therefore/Since we have...

- 4 Experiences of the Christian Life (Phil 2:1)

We can know that our life is rooted in the gospel when our life and joy is _____ in the joy and _____ of others.

- Romans 12:15

The key to a life of joy is a God-centered, gospel-based, grace-enabled shifting of our attention away from ourselves and onto others.

3 Ways to Live/Pursue a Life of Joy

1. Pursue _____/Harmony (Phil 2:2)

- Biblical unity is pursuing the same _____ and the same _____ found in Christ.
- Jn 17:21,23
- Jn 13:34

2. Pursue _____ (Phil 2:3)

- **How do we fight pride and promote humility in ourselves:**
 - Reflect on the _____ of the cross.
 - Reflect on the _____ I do not deserve.
 - _____ God in His Word.
 - Study man and _____.
 - _____ grace in others; affirm others.
 - _____ others (outward focus).
 - Welcome _____.
 - Deliberately and constantly acknowledge our _____ on God.

3. Pursue Mutuality/_____ (Phil 2:4)

- Phil 2:4 - *“not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.”*
- Eph 5:21 - *“Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.”*
- 1 Cor 10:24 - *“No one should seek their own good, but the good of others.”*
- The _____ of the Christian life should never be inward but outward.

The only way that we can serve is as servants and as equals at the foot of the cross. - Leslie Newbigin