

GCBC, 23rd August 2020 -

- In verses 1-4, underline the words that describe how Christians should behave (words like tender, compassionate, loving, etc.). Place an “X” on what Christians should avoid.
- Verses 6-11 describe Jesus. What word that describes Jesus is the same as one of the words you underlined?

Philippians 2:1-11 (NLT)

1 Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? **2** Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.

3 Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. **4** Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

5 You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

6 Though he was God,^a

he did not think of equality with God
as something to cling to.

7 Instead, he gave up his divine privileges^a;

he took the humble position of a slave^b
and was born as a human being.

When he appeared in human form,^c

8 he humbled himself in obedience to God
and died a criminal's death on a cross.

9 Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honour
and gave him the name above all other names,

10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

“A humble person doesn’t think less of herself; she simply thinks of herself less.”
What do the following verses teach us about being humble, or humility?

Romans 12:14-16 - “Bless those who persecute you. Don’t curse them; pray that God will bless them. Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with each other. Don’t be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don’t think you know it all!”

Ephesians 4:2-3 - “Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other’s faults because of your love. Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.”

Matthew 20:25-28 - “But Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.””