## SMALL GR貒UPS

## **STUDY SHEET**

**Spring Session Week 7** 

Date: May 11, 2025

- Sermon Title: Transformed by Jesus Sermon Text: Philippians 2:1-11
  - 1. Is there a part of this week's sermon that you've been reflecting on?

2. Read Philippians 2:1. Paul gives five reasons we should pursue unity. What are they, and how does each one motivate us toward love and unity?

3. In Philippians 2:2–4, Paul describes the kind of community the Philippians are called to become—one shaped by humble love. As incredible as it sounds, Paul doesn't see this as an unattainable ideal but as a realistic vision of Christian life. What might change if that became the norm in our church?

4. Read Philippians 2:5–8. Paul explains the inner logic of Jesus' humility: though equal with God, he didn't use that equality for his own advantage; being a servant of an equal wasn't beneath him. In church, we're all equals too—how does Jesus' reasoning play out for us?

5. Read Philippians 2:9–11. What does God do in response to Jesus' humility? How might that encourage us to choose humility too?

6. The sermon discussed three misunderstandings of Philippians 2:6: Apollinarianism, Nestorianism, and Eutychianism. Why is it important that Jesus is both fully human and fully divine?

Teaching	Fully Human	Fully God	One Person	Explanation
Apollinarianism	No	Yes	Yes	Denies full humanity, as Jesus has a human body but no human mind or spirit.
Nestorianism	Yes	Yes	No	Denies the unity of Jesus' person, teaching He is two separate persons (human and divine).
Eutychianism	No	Yes	Yes	Denies both full humanity and full divinity with a new mixed nature.
Hypostatic Union	Yes	Yes	Yes	The true doctrine: Jesus is fully human and fully divine, and one person with two inseparable natures.

## Pray

Take time to pray as a group through Philippians 2:1-11.

- opportunities to serve one another
- willingness to choose humility
- love and unity in our church
- willingness to forgive and apologize
- greater awareness of needs in our community
- joy as we bless and serve others

## Curious about Jesus' natures?

Check out the BibleProject episode *Is Jesus God?* Scan the QR to the right.

