

## What Aren't We Willing to Do?

- Phil. 2:1-11
  - 1-2: In Christ, do we have encouragement? Comfort? Fellowship of the Spirit? Affection & mercy?
    - If so, then we as Christians should work together in unity.
  - 3-4: How often do we look out for our own self-interests?
    - While that is natural, Christians should esteem others above self.
  - 5: Jesus is ultimate example of humility—we must be like this
  - 6-8: Jesus was deity, yet submitted to God's will and became human, enduring countless indignities and embarrassments.
    - "Don't you know who I am?"
    - "This isn't fair!"
    - Didn't just lower Himself a notch or 2, but died horrible criminal's death (beyond contempt, degrading, humiliating, in violation of "constitutional rights")
  - 9: This humility exalts Jesus above all others
  - 10-11: Sooner or later, all will bow to Jesus, and all will confess Him
    - Jesus earned name above every name—Lord
    - Is. 45:22-23
- To what extent should we be humble? Jesus demonstrates – Jn. 13:1-16
  - Context: Lk. 22:24 – Disciples arguing about which of them was the greatest...
  - 3: Jesus' glory
    - All things given to Him – Mt. 28:18
    - He came from God – Jn. 1:1, 14
    - He would return to Heaven – Phil. 2
  - 4-5: After arguing about who was greatest, Jesus showed disciples that service was greatest
    - Great detail included for each step Jesus performed
    - Washed feet after supper (not as soon as they arrived in room), highlighting it yet making it more demeaning
  - 8: We have no part with Jesus unless He washes us
    - How does He wash us?
  - 10-11: Once clean, only need to wash feet (hands)
    - Baptism makes us clean; don't need to be rebaptized every time we sin; general cleansing removed by confession – 1 Jn. 1:7-9
  - 12-16: Example of service & humility
  - 11/12: Jesus washed the feet of Judas.
    - This cleansing didn't save Judas because of his heart
    - 1 Pet. 3:21 – Baptism saves; answer of good conscience toward God
- How do we serve each other?
  - Let this mind be in us – Phil. 2:5
  - No selfish ambition – Phil. 2:3
  - Look out for others – Phil. 2:4