

WEEK FOUR

Example of Christ

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filled and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
is an unstoppable force.”**

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“For me to live is **Christ**
and to die is **gain.**”

Philippians 1:27a ^{NIV}

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

**Living Worthy of
the Gospel of Christ**

Preserve Unity

Spread the Gospel Message

Live in Confidence, Not Fear

Following Christ's Example

Unity

Philippians 2:1-2 ^{NIV}

Therefore, if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.

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“Of what use is it to discourse learnedly on the Trinity, if you lack humility and therefore, displease the Trinity? I would far rather feel contrition than be able to define it.”

Thomas á Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ*

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Philippians 2:5 ^{NIV}

In your relationships with one another,
have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

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Philippians 2:6-8 ^{NIV}

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; ⁷ rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Humility is that grace that, when you know you have it, you have lost it.

Warren Wiersbe

Keys to Humility.

Following the Example of Christ:

- Speak less, listen more.
- Be more interested in the lives of others than our own.
- Be generous in expressing gratitude.
- Be willing to admit when we are wrong and readily forgive others when they are wrong.
- Consider others more important than ourselves and serve them gladly.

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Philippians 2:9-11 ^{NIV}

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"Either God exists, or he does not, and you must bet one way or another. If God exists, you could gain or lose infinite happiness. If God does not exist, then you could lose at most finite pleasure. If you win, you win everything; if you lose, you lose nothing. Do not hesitate, then; gamble on His existence."

Blaise Pascal, *Pascal's Wager*

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What if you knew Paul's secret?

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