

## **United We Stand**

### **Philippians 2:1-18**

#### Life-Group Questions

1. As we head into week 3 of our study on Philippians, what has stood out to you from these messages?

2. Take some time to read through Philippians 2:1-18. What catches your attention from this passage?

3. Unity is a key theme within this passage and it is mentioned over sixty times in the Bible. From the following verses how do we display unity with one another?

- 1 Corinthians 1:10
- Colossians 3:13-14
- Romans 12:16
- Ephesians 4:1-6

4. Conceit and pride are the enemies of unity. Pride can slip unnoticed into our lives in many ways. Take the attached Evidences of Pride Quiz. Share what areas you may struggle in the most.

5. Re-read Philippians 2:6-11. This is a powerful description of who Jesus was and how he lived his life. The theme of humility comes to the forefront in this passage. From the following verses what does humility look and what are the results of it:

- Mark 9:35
- Psalm 25:8-9
- Luke 22:24-27
- James 4:6

6. In the message there was this thought that we have to go low in humility to be brought high. Looking back at your life in what ways has God humbled you?

7. In verse 12 of this passage Paul mentions that the church of Philippi needed to “continue to work out your salvation.” This is a mining term that means to work out what is already there. Is there any ways in which you feel God is currently challenging you to “work out your salvation”? (Ex. Maybe God is challenging you in some area or with some situation or with some person right now.)

# Evidences Of Pride Quiz

Do you look down on those who are less educated, less affluent, less refined, or less successful than yourself?

Do you think of yourself as more spiritual than your mate, others in your in your church?

Do you frequently correct or criticize your mate, your pastor, or other people in positions of leadership (teachers, youth director, etc.)?

Do you give undue time, attention, and effort to your physical appearance—hair, make-up, clothing, weight, body shape, avoiding appearance of aging?

Do you generally think your way is the right way, the only way, or the best way?

Are you a perfectionist? Do you get irked or impatient with people who aren't?

Do you tend to be controlling—of your mate, your children, friends, those in your workplace?

Do you frequently interrupt people when they are speaking?

Do you talk about yourself too much?

Are you more concerned about your problems, needs, burdens than about others' concerns?

Do you worry about what others think of you? Too concerned about your reputation or your family's reputation?

Is it hard for you to let others know when you need help (practical or spiritual)?

When is the last time you said these words to a family member, friend, or coworker: "I was wrong; would you please forgive me?" (If it's been more than a month, mark it down!)

Are you sitting here thinking how many of these questions apply to someone you know? Feeling pretty good that none of these things really apply to you?