



NEED TO KNOW

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO HAVE A FAITH THAT SURVIVES & THRIVES IN A CHALLENGING WORLD
A.K.A. THE LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS

Week 3: We need to know our Lord Philippians 2:5-11

PARK
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Christian faith is faith in Jesus. Our image of Jesus really matters. We need to know the true Jesus, not the one we invent in our head, get from our culture, or hear about from random sources. We need to know him as he says he is in the scriptures.

Everyone believes something about Jesus. We need to begin to recognize wrong thinking about Jesus in ourselves and in others.

- *What are some common misconceptions people may have about Jesus?*
- *What behaviors might reveal someone does not know the true Jesus?*
- *What wrong ideas have you had about Jesus in the past and in what ways have you come to know him differently now?*
- *How can you be sure that the Jesus you know is not a creation of your own mind?* (Hint, the answer is in the first paragraph)

Paul wanted the faith of believers in Philippi to thrive! God wants that for us too! We need to know Jesus as he really is, the One true God who humbled himself and poured out his life for us.

Use these passages to answer the following questions. Dig in and be specific.

Read **Philippians 2:5-11** and **Colossians 1:13-22**

- *What do these scriptures reveal about who Jesus is?*
- *What did he do?*
- *What do you think he was thinking?*

LET THIS MIND BE IN YOU! (Selah! Pause -stop- and think about it)

- *Do you know him like this, the Lord who is a servant? Share an example from the scriptures, your life, or the life of another.*
- *In what realm of life do you find yourself to be the one with “the power?”*
- *How can you use your power to serve others?*

Prayer Point: Ask Jesus to show himself to you. Ask him to give you the will and opportunity to **serve** someone this week at your expense. *Is there someone in need that the group can pray for right now?*

Challenge: Spend time with Jesus putting HIS mind to practice in your life!

Read your Bible to know him better! (Begin to share your Jesus findings with one another often!)