

Passage: Philippians 2:5-11

Big Idea: Embracing what _____ for you is the best thing
_____ for him.

How Did Jesus Sacrifice For Us?

1. Jesus _____ gave up _____. (2:6)
2. Jesus gave up His _____. (2:7; Jn. 17:4-5)
3. Jesus gave up His _____. (2:8)

Why Did Jesus Do It?

1. Somebody needed to fix a _____ that _____ couldn't fix.
(Rom. 3:23-24, 6:23)
2. Jesus became a human because He is a _____ God.
(Heb. 4:14b-16)
3. Jesus paid the ultimate sacrifice because He _____ us.
(1 John 4:10)

So What? (Philippians 2:5, Galatians 2:20, Romans 12:1-2)

1. Have I released _____?
2. Have I made myself a _____?
3. Have I presented myself as a living _____?

Discussion Questions:

-ICEBREAKER: What would be the most difficult possession of yours to part with or let go? Why would it be so hard to sacrifice? (sentimental value, monetary value, unique, irreplaceable, etc.)

-Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

-Pastor Tom shared about his renewed understanding and appreciation of the sacrifice of Jesus. After hearing the message today, what do you now understand or appreciate in a new light?

-Have 3 people in your group read Philippians 2:5-11, each using a different translation. What stuck out to you as listened to the passage being read?

-What role do you think your life story or family background have on how you embrace the sacrifice Jesus made?

-When we hear a message on a doctrinal subject, we are often tempted to engage intellectually and miss the application to our lives. What did you learn from this message and how will you apply it to your life?

-Read Romans 12:1-2 in The Message translation. What does this passage look like when you live it out in a tangible way? What does the opposite of this passage look like?

-Who is someone you've seen act as a "living sacrifice"? What did they do that embodied those words?

-In what arena of your life is it hardest for you to be a servant? (Work, family, friendship, hobby, etc.) Why is it so challenging to adopt the posture of a servant in that arena?