\mathbf{PIVOT} - Uncompromising Flexibility

Principle #5 – Attitude is everything! And <u>Humility</u> is the key attitude! (Philippians 2:1-11)

The Jesus Song – Six Stanzas vs 6-11

vs. 6

- 'form' = permanent, consistent internal nature
 - Jesus is 100% God in substance and nature
- 'grasped' = argued over, asserted, utilized
 - Jesus was not a 'Do you know who I am ????' kind of guy

vs. 7

- '*emptied*' = **pocketed** the use of some attributes, authority, glory John 17:5
- 'form' = permanent, consistent internal nature
 - Jesus added the 100% human nature to His 100% divine
- *'appearance', 'likeness'* = human **shape**; skin and bones, mind, emotions, will

vs. 8

- 'obedient' = submission to humiliation
- *'humbled Himself'* = His **choice**
- 'death on a cross' = degree of obedience to humiliation

vs. 9-11

• 'God highly exalted Him' = total humiliation led to universal, cosmic worship

vs. 1-4, 5

- 'have this attitude' Your choice; choose as Jesus chose
 - Avoid the 'Do you know who I am !?!?' attitude
 - Walk in obedient submission
 - Humility will be **rewarded** (Luke 18:14; James 4:10; 1 Peter 5:6
- This is the pervasive attitude of our AGCC Global Partners
- May this be the pervasive attitude within our faith community!

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Life Group Questions – May 31st, 2020

Philippians 2:1-5: 'Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, ² make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³ Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with **humility of mind** regard one another as more important than yourselves; ⁴ do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. ⁵ Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,'

QUICK REVIEW

- 1. Last week we discussed the principle of reviewing your **Bedrock Convictions**, those core beliefs that are the foundation of your identity as a person. Did you take time to think about these convictions? If so, what did you come up with?
- 2. As things like church begin to open back up again, what are you most looking forward to in relation to your faith community? What have you missed the most while being separated?

MY STORY

- 1. Have you known a person who was completely self-focused or extremely arrogant? How did that person make you feel? How did they get along with others? Share an experience without naming names.
- 2. Has God ever had to 'humble' you in some way? Explain.

GOING DEEP

- 1. Read Philippians 2:6-8. Try and describe the kind of Person Jesus was. How could He be 100% God AND 100% man? What do you think it would have been like to live in His skin?
- 2. Read Philippians 2:9-11. How did the Father exalt Jesus? Compare this with Hebrews 1:8-9. How does the Father honor the Son? This is some deep theology.
- 3. Read James 4:10 and 1 Peter 5:6. How might God humble people? How might God exalt someone today?

PUTTING IT TOGETHER:

- 1. What do you think are some of the challenges to living out each point?
- 2. Which of the above teaching points are most important for <u>you</u> to remember?