No One Like Him

Part 2 - Nobody loves me like Jesus loves me

Nobody treats me like Jesus treats me

Nobody has sacrificed more for me than Jesus

Philippians 2:6-8

'emptied' Himself = Jesus **set aside** the full expression of His identity and attributes

'humbled' Himself = From Glory to **humanity**; from humanity to **despised** human

Nobody has been more **generous** to me than Jesus

Ephesians 1:3; 2 Peter 1:3

Nobody sticks with me like Jesus sticks with me

His love for me is refreshed every morning

Lamentations 3:22-23

He will love me to the end

John 13:1; Psalm 103:14

He assumes the best in me

Luke 22:31-32; Matthew 26:31-35, 75; John 21:15-17

My response:

Treat Him like He treats me

Stick with Him like He sticks with me

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Life Group Discussion Questions - December 11, 2022

Philippians 2:6-8 "...who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

DISCOVER

- 1. How do you like to be treated? What treatment do you find frustrating that might lead to doubt in a relationship? Have you ever been frustrated with how someone dealt with you, only to look back later and see it was for your benefit? Give some examples.
- 2. Who are some of the people that found Jesus to be a loving and gentle Immanuel? Who found him to be offensive or misguided? Are there some people that fell into both camps? Jesus didn't fight for Himself; He fought for us. Who will you fight for at your expense?
- 3. What gives you confidence that Jesus loves you perfectly? Have you had periods or moments of doubt when life was hard? What right does Jesus have to make the rules in our relationship with Him?
- 4. List some of the ways that Jesus' treatment of us is different than what we give and receive in our relationships with other humans. Can you think of a friend that gave much, in humility, to be at your side? What stood out to you in the attitude of this friend?

EXPLORE

- 1. Read Ephesians 1:3. Describe the impact of spiritual blessings promised by God. It is a great gift to have spiritual blessings. What are we to do with these blessings?
- 2. Re-read Philippians 2:6. What does it mean that Jesus emptied Himself? If Jesus could empty Himself to be a man, then how much more should we be able to relate to those who may seem just a little different to us? When have you avoided the use of power while remaining humble? Or given up the full use of your rights for the betterment of others?
- 3. In what ways did Jesus humble Himself for our benefit? Give some examples from His incarnation to His resurrection that showed humility. Read Matthew 20:8-16 and Luke 14:7-11. What examples of humility do you see in these scriptures? What reasons are given for being humble?

EXPERIENCE

- 1. How should you react when others treat you well? How did Jesus treat others despite them treating Him poorly? How should we do likewise?
- 2. How do you need to change in order to love others like Jesus loves you? Who do you know that loves others in humility and emptiness? What makes them exemplary in their love of others?

PRAY

Pray... Father, I confess that I wouldn't be so quick to step down from a throne to help the likes of us. We are in awe of your love for your creation. Convict us and teach us how to love our fellow humans like you love us. Amen.

Action... List some of the ways that Jesus has impacted your life through His love. Remember these examples when you relate to your brothers and sisters. Now, treat Jesus as he has treated you.