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Well, it's good to see everyone here. Such a nice crowd. And if you have your Bibles, if you could please turn to the book of Philippians, Philippians chapter 2. It's good to see everyone. We're so thankful that we are able to live stream this on the internet. And even people will even visit our website to watch the sermons. And we're just so humble. And we just ask God that God would bless the word as it goes out that it would challenge The, challenge the save and convict the lost, amen. So if you have your Bibles, Philippians chapter two, we're gonna be looking at verse five, and what an amazing statement here in verse five.

Philippians chapter two, if you could please I understand if you are able to. Philippians 2, verse 5, The Bible says, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God, but made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made and the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man. He humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Let's pray. Father, we thank you. We can come out, we can worship you. And Father, you are worthy to be worshipped. And Father, thank you for your mercy and your grace upon us. Thank you for the plan, the plan of salvation where we could never ever attain heaven because of our sin. But Father.

What love we see in Jesus who would humble himself and take a human body to walk as a man. So Father, as we come before you today, I ask you now, Lord, that you would speak to each and every one of us. That you would help us to see the significance and that we would be humbled and that we would be A desire to live and be an example of what Christians ought to be. So Father, again, I ask you to bless our time in your word, and this I pray in Jesus' name, amen. You can be seated at this time. And here we find in Philippians chapter 2.

Verse 5-8, we see most of all We see Christ self-emptying and humble life, which is used as an example and an illustration of the humility, which should be a pattern for all who follow Jesus, amen? And as you look in the world, the world is filled with me, and I, and pride, and oh, Amen. I keep talking about. You know the signs and the things that we see of kindness. And boy, we need that in America so much now. You know how people talk and man. So here in Philippians chapter 2 verse 5 and 8 gives the church a threefold portrait of Christ's selflessness, service. And sacrifice. We're going to see that right here. And Paul commands believers adopt the same mind as Christ had while he did that. And again, believers should display a continual high attitude of humility and meekness and a readiness to serve others. Isn't it true? And that's being the, how can I say, the optimum attitude We need that today. "Let

this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God.

" Well, Paul begins with Christ's eternal position here. Can you see it? Again, look at verse 6. It says, "who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God. " So we see this, the phrase "being in the The form of God in the Greek is God's form, in Greek it's "morphi theo" I believe that's how you pronounce it. Don't worry, I don't pronounce words that good when it's Greek or Hebrew. But that's what it looks like in the Greek. And it means Christ possessed the essential nature of God.

Amen? Being in the form, being in the likeness, Amen. So His eternal glory, that's what it's talking about. In eternity past, before He took on a human body, it means He shared the very nature of God. He had every right to display majesty, receive worship, and exercise divine privilege. Amen. He was God. Amen? When you recognize the fact that you're just human. You ain't king, you ain't God, and you were no higher than anyone else. And this is what Christ did. He was an example of selfishness. 2 Corinthians chapter 8 verse 9 2nd Corinthians 2 Corinthians 8, 9, The Bible says, "for ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." I started to think about that. His glory, his splendor. He left it all and took a human body. He became poor like us in His essence, so that you and I would one day be able to reach glory with Him. It's just amazing when you look at that. Christ did not cling to His rights as God. equality for personal advantage.

We see that when he was in the wilderness for 40 days and 40 nights he did not eat and he was hungry and he was tempted to eat to make a stone into bread. Amen. And as we know that This is pure selflessness, choosing others over himself. That's what the cross means. That's what this incarnation means. That's what it means when Jesus came to walk as a man. I like what it says in John 1, verse 14. When it says, "and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." This is John the Apostle writing this. "...and dwelt among us." And we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace in "Holy of the Father, full of grace and truth." This is what he saw in Jesus. But what's important is he saw that the Word became flesh. God became flesh, is what he's saying.

Not only do we see Christ's example of selflessness, but we also see Christ's example of service. Look again back in Philippians chapter Look what it says in verse 7. And this is amazing. He was not only selfless, but he showed us an example of service. It says in Philippians 2.7, "But made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men." Isn't it amazing when you look at that? And that's what it means when he says, "But made himself of no reputation, but took upon him the form of a servant." And I love what it says. You know, when you think of this, he was the creator, yet he willingly humbled himself and became a human. Think of that. We find so many people in the opposite, full with pride and going after, they want to be king, they want to be in charge, they want to be like, looked in front of everybody, "Look at me." But yet we see the opposite with Jesus. Amen? The Creator, the One who created everything, was willingly, hanfud hans sjöf, og tog "Humbled himself and took the form of a human."

Look again, it says in verse 7, "But made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant." And the word "servant" means, in the Greek it means "slave" or "bond servant." So when we read that, we see that when he came, He took upon himself a servant like a slave, not a king. Not a noble, someone noble. He took the form of a slave. Think of that. How low can you go? He was showing humility in his incarnation. And then as that, look, I love this, turn the, Gospel John. 13, 13, 1, and I'm going to read quite a few so you can get the feel.

It says, "Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come, that He should depart out of this world unto the Father, which were in the world, until the end. and supper being ended. the devil having now put in the heart of Judas Simon's son to betray him. Jesus knowing that the father had given all things into his hands and that he was come from God and went to God. He rises from the supper and laid aside his garments and took a towel and girded himself. After that. He poured water in the basin and began to wash the disciples and to wipe them with the towel where we're standing wherewith he was girded." Now let me pause right there. That is what a slave would do. At the time that Jesus walked and you would go and there was no asphalt roads, no highways filled with asphalt.

It was all dusty roads. So when someone came into your house and their feet were all dirty and smelly and stinky. What would happen? You would. Command your servant to go and wash their feet. But yet here the Creator God, He humbles Himself and He's showing as an example to His disciples. And look what He does. Verse 5, "after that He poured out the water in the basin and began to wash the disciples' feet." and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he Was girded. Then cometh he to Simon Peter, and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? And Jesus answered and said unto him, what I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter. Peter said unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet, Jesus, Jesus answered him, "If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me." 'Thou hast no part with me.'

Simon Peter said unto him, 'Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.' And Jesus said unto him, 'He that is washed need not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit, and ye are clean, but not all.' For he knew who should betray him, Therefore said he, "Ye are not all clean." "Therefore, said he, 'Ye are not all clean.' "So after he had washed their feet "and had taken his garments and was set down again, "he said unto them, ""Know ye what I have done to you? ""Ye call me Master and Lord, ""and ye say, 'Well, for so am I.

I am.' ""If I then your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye also are to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done to you. Verily, verily, I say unto you, the servant is not greater than his Lord, neither he that is sent greater than he that had sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them. See what he's doing? He's showing ignorance his example. He was the example. The one who created all things, washed feet, touched lepers, and welcomed sinners.

And we see Christ's willingness to give up his rights in order to obey the plan of the Father and to serve his creation. Jesus gave up all his rights as sovereign and humble "and humbled himself and became servant of all." What an amazing thing. What an example for you and I. That's why in Mark chapter 10 verse 45, the Bible says, "for even the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many." What an example. of selflessness and service. Service to others is not beneath us because it was not beneath Christ. Amen? If you desire to live for God, you must be willing to humble yourself, giving when others take, loving when others hate, and stepping in to help where others refuse. That's what we're called to do. As Christians, those who are followers of Christ. And then lastly, we see Christ's example of service. Turn back to Philippians chapter 2. I mean, Christ's example of sacrifice, I'm sorry. Philippians chapter 2. 8) "and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

You know, Jesus Christ not only humbled himself and became human, He embraced the shame of crucifixion. He embraced it. And again, This is where I began to really be taken. . No. "Jesus said," again, as an example, Jesus says in Matthew 16, verse 24, He says, "then said Jesus unto His disciples, 'If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.'" You know, this is amazing when you think of this. If Jesus is an example, selflessness, and He's an example of service, and then He's an example of sacrifice.

How hard is it for you and I to sacrifice for Him? Amen. Isn't He worthy? When you think He went to the cross and died for you and I, for you personally, for your sin, isn't He worthy? Crucifixion was the most degrading death known in the Roman world, yet Christ willingly endured it to redeem you and I. We see pictures of Jesus on the cross when you see that, but He was naked. On that cross. John 15:13 "Greater love had no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." He calls us friends, yet He's the King of kings and Lord of lords.

He's the Creator God som steg ut ur heiver. God who stepped out of heaven and took a human body to walk as a man so he could identify to you and I and call us friends. What an amazing thing. Here we see such an example of self-denying love as nothing else can show. Christ dying. For his creation to redeem us back to him. And here's my last scripture I'll use. Hebrews chapter 12 verse 2. Christus beholds that obedience is not measured in convenience, but in service and sacrifice and surrender. Man, for the joy that was set before Him, what was set before Him?

The cross. And He knew... That the cross, by Him going to the cross, would one day have us come to Him. Man, I began to think of that. Man, how many times, did I just go about doing what I want to do, instead of doing what God wants me to do? How many times my attitude does not line up with humility Amen. But yet, he emptied himself. He showed us the example of selflessness. He showed us the example of service. And he showed us the example of sacrifice. How will you show the Lord Will you die to serve him? Lord, your love for him. Will you die to self to take up your cross and go with the gospel and live a life serving others? Or will you just continually go doing what you do? And then come on a Sunday service. Sunday service, Christianity.

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I think it's more to it than that. . Boy, if God could just turn our hearts and change us and give us the desires of Him, give us the desire of the lost, give us the desire to serve the ones who hate us. Let us think on these things, amen. Father, we thank you. For sending Jesus sending him to earth on a mission to save your creation. And Father, help us to recognize for the joy that was set before him, he despised the He took all the destruction despising and the suffering as in His heart and mind He thought of us. Even today, He had us on His heart that one day we would believe and receive Him as Lord and Savior. Father, help us not just to receive Him as Savior, but help Him to make Him Lord of our lives. name, amen.