

Philippians 2:1-4

One Point: Pursue humility for unity

1. What would you do in the hunger games?
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Read v. 1-2

1. What first drew you to Christ?
 2. What does affection and sympathy have to do with our relationship with God? (Prov 18:24)
 3. What does Paul mean when he says “participation in the Spirit?”
 4. What causes disunity within the church? What can we do about it? (people we don’t like, disagreements)
 5. What do you think is the “one purpose” Paul talks about here? What do we as the Church need to do in order to achieve this purpose?
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Read v. 3-4

1. What is your view of human nature? More good than bad? Neutral? More bad than good? Why?
 2. What exactly is humility? How does pursuing it lead to unity within the Church? (John 3:30)
 3. What are some practical ways to “count others as more significant than yourselves?” (James 1:19)
 4. How can you pursue humility for unity this week?
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What I will be talking about

Paul recognizes that unity in the Church and humility in Christians are both necessary for the gospel to cut away darkness in an area, because nobody wants to join a family that is always turning away from each other or trying to one-up each other. Jesus paints a picture much more beautiful than that, and the anguish of his sacrifice bought far more than believers’ petty squabbles. Paul moves the church to pursue humility for the sake of unity, because a church divided will eventually die.