



## Part 4: Fit for A King

### Philippians 2:1-13

***Note: We have provided more questions here than you will likely need. Please pick and choose the questions you think will create the best discussion in your group, and don't feel like you need to discuss every question.***

#### Ask

- When you think of humility, what person or people (who you know personally) come to mind? How have you observed their humility in action?

#### Discuss

#### Read

Read Philippians 2:1-2

"So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind."

**Ask**

- How are joy and unity connected? In what ways does our unity “make joy complete?”
- Unity can be defined as unification around a purpose or driven by a common desire. What are common purposes or desires that can unite as believers at Bridgeway?

**Read**

Read Philippians 2:3-4

“Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.”

**Ask**

- Pastor Matt explained to us that Roman Philippi was an honor-obsessed society. In what ways does our culture teach us to crave honor? How can we avoid that sort of mindset?
- What does it look like to come to church or church events with a desire to help and serve others?

**Read**

Read Philippians 2:6-8

“Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

**Play**

Watch the first video clip at [www.bridgeway.church/ambassadors](http://www.bridgeway.church/ambassadors)

**Ask**

- What does it mean to you that God is a God who serves? How does that influence the way you relate to Him?
- In the message Pastor Matt said that humility is the Christian way of life. What does humility look like practically? What elements of living with humility are appealing? What makes living with humility difficult?

- In these verses, Paul shows us that Jesus is the perfect example of humility. Jesus not only sets aside His rights, but He also takes on the form of a slave or servant. How are those things similar and how are they different?

## Close

### Read

Read Philippians 2:12-13

“Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.”

### Ask

- Pastor Matt told us that “salvation” in this context is more about spiritual health than it is about going to heaven. What are some practical ways that you, as individuals and as a community, can contribute to each other’s spiritual health and wholeness?

### Prayer

- Allow everyone a minute or two of silence to evaluate if they are contributing to unity or division in their different relational networks (family, workplace, missional community, church, etc.). End your time by having a few people pray for unity in your missional community, in our church, and amongst churches in our region.