

Philippians - Core Help 2:1-30

Goals: The goal of this study is to help your Core group keep getting to know each other, but also to talk about how awesome Jesus is, and get a read on where guys in Core are at w/ regards to following Him.

Openers:

- Go around the room - whether you'd call yourself a Christian or not, what specific impacts do you think Jesus has had in human history?

Scripture: The Scripture we're gonna look at is about Paul calling the community in Philippi to live toward each other the way Jesus lived toward them. So first we'll look at how Jesus treats people, and then think through what that could look like for our Core.

Read Philippians 2:1-30

Observations:

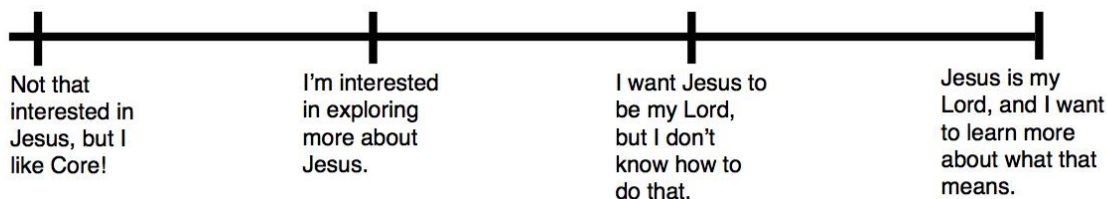
- What do Jesus, Paul, Timothy, and Epaphroditus have in common when it comes to how they treat people?

Interpretations:

- When you look at Jesus' attitude from vs.5-8, how does that compare to attitudes of other leaders you've seen (think of professors, politicians, coaches, etc.)?

Applications:

- v.9-11 talks about people making a choice to call Jesus as our leader, or our "Lord" to use Paul's 1st century language. How would you describe your personal relationship with Jesus right now? On this spectrum (*draw it on a whiteboard?*) where would you put yourself?



- How would you like this Core group to help you in your journey of exploring Jesus?
- How could v.1-4 and v.14-16 help each other, and other people get to know and explore Jesus too?
- Close by praying that this Core group would be a place where every person feels safe to explore Jesus.