

The Heart of the Matter

12. How does this passage challenge the Madison Avenue advertising image of success?

13. Who do you admire because they truly put the interests of others ahead of their own interests?

14. Paul describes how we should pursue unity with each other. What can you do to help foster the kind of unity and fellowship Paul describes in your home? At your work? At our church?

15. How brightly are you shining right now in your world? What needs to change in your life for you to be able to shine more like Jesus?

Praises and Prayer Requests:



Life Group Study Guide

NEVER ALONE Philippians 2:1-18 For the Week of April 19, 2020

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. Who takes out the trash in your home? Cleans the bathrooms? How was the decision made as to who does these chores?
3. Who are you most like in the morning: Big Bird or Oscar the Grouch?

Digging Deeper

4. Based on this passage as we read between the lines, what was wrong with the church in Philippi?

5. How does the Apostle Paul describe the kind of unity we should all aspire to in verses 1-2? What would that kind of unity look like in our homes? In our church?

6. In verse 3 what does it mean for us to “count others more significant than” ourselves? What would this look like in your life?

7. In verses 4-7 how does humility differ than just being a doormat? How did Jesus demonstrate a godly meekness?

8. From verses 7-11 what do you think it would have been like for Jesus to leave heaven with the express purpose of “taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men”? What specific character attributes would this entail in Jesus for this to take place?

9. In verses 12-18 who does Paul sound like: Your dad? Army sergeant? Coach at half-time? A friend giving advice?

10. In verse 12 what does it mean for us to “work out your own salvation”? How would you differentiate this with how some believe that we need to work for our salvation?

11. From verses 14-18 how should we “shine as lights in the world”?