

Week 3, Day 2

READING:

You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave, and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.

Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:5-11 (NLT)

Ten years after Paul has been an amazing church planter, he is put in prison. This moment looked like Rome had won, and Jesus had lost. However, it was in this very moment that God was going to do some of His greatest work through Paul. Paul wrote four books of the Bible from prison in Rome. He wrote Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Paul had no idea what hung in the balance of his decision to remain faithful when remaining faithful was difficult. The reason Paul accomplished what he did is because of his adversity and his response to the adversity he faced. None of us knows what hangs in the balance of our decision to remain faithful to God in difficult times.

What would it mean for you to be faithful to what God has asked of you during this season of your life?

FOR FURTHER STUDY: Read Philippians 2

QUESTION TO CONSIDER:

Paul talks about Jesus being a servant. What servant like qualities do you need to remain faithful in this season of your life?