

The Church: DEFINED

WHO WE ARE VS.
WHO WE SHOULD BE

Welcome to the Celestial Light Show

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PHILIPPIANS 2:1-15, 18 (NIV)

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. 3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. 5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; 7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! 9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. 12 Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. 14 Do everything without grumbling or arguing, 15 so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky.

18 So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

Notes

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)

**LIVE LIKE JESUS,
LOVE LIKE JESUS...**



*everywhere,
every day*

Going Deeper

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Read Philippians 2:1-18. Looking closely at verses 12 and 13, there's the command to "work out" your salvation, but it also says that it is "God at work" in you. What do you think this means? Do you work or does God?

How does "grumbling and arguing" (v.14-15) relate to our ability to shine in this world? Think back on this week - what are some of the things you grumbled or argued about?

Who is the ultimate example we should be following according to verse 5? How far should we go in serving others (v.3-4)? How far did Jesus go (v.8)?

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

Philippians 2:5 (NIV) - "In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus."

TAKE A STEP:

What's one practical way you can "love like Jesus" this week?

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All In, Together

GENERAL OFFERING

2023 Weekly Budget: \$10,187
Given February 12th: \$7,974
Difference: (\$2,213)

2023 Annual Budget: \$529,724
2023 Budget YTD: \$61,122
2023 Given YTD: \$44,952
Difference: (\$16,170)

BUILD YOUR CHURCH FUND

BYC February 12th: \$2,039
BYC YTD: \$10,846
BYC Total Given: \$333,34

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