



**Why did Jesus become human? Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.**

**Week 12:** November 3, 2024

**Bible Story Point:** Jesus, the Son of God, humbled Himself by coming to earth as a man.

**Key Passage:** He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:5)

**Sunday Night:** (Preschool & Children)

**Jesus Suffered for Us** (Philippians 2)

In Philippians 2, the apostle Paul expounds upon Christ's humility and its implications for how we live and interact with others. Though we may struggle with the paradox of His infinite power and meekness, Christ's humility serves as the truest example for us to follow as we adopt His attitude so that the world may confess Jesus as Lord.

How does Christ's humility encourage us to follow in His steps? How can we joyfully demonstrate Jesus' sacrificial mindset?

The sufferings of Jesus were rooted in humility as He sought not what was best for Himself, but rather what was for the good of sinful people. His obedience to deny Himself and seek the Father's will demonstrates the same mindset we should have toward one another. The love Christ has shown us through His humble death exhorts us to show this same love to others, trusting that God will use our humble efforts to shine like stars in a dark world. As followers of Christ, we seek to emulate His self-sacrifice, trusting that God is glorified through it and that we, who are in Christ, will one day be exalted with Him. (1 Peter 5:6) Yet as Paul reminds us, we remember that it is God working in us to help us have the desire and the ability to conform more into the image of Christ. (Phil. 2:13)

While being willing to humbly put another's needs above ours doesn't come easy, we can look to Jesus who for the joy set before Him endured the cross—knowing that His sacrificial death would mean everlasting life for us. Though it may seem like rejoicing has no place in humble self-sacrifice, Paul wanted us to see that this fruit of the Spirit is ours for the taking when our eyes are set on Jesus.

Help your kids see that we can find encouragement in Christ's story, just as the early church did. The reality of Jesus' suffering helps us live humbly so that we can exalt His name and will above our own. Just as Christ did not begrudgingly take to the cross, so, too, are we to walk in obedient sacrifice, knowing that our hope is not in vain. He rescued us through His own suffering that we might find His strength amidst our lack. When we trust in Him, we find new life and the forgiveness we need.

- Who wrote the book of Philippians? Paul
- Who humbled Himself and how? Jesus, came to earth and died on the cross.
- How did Paul tell us to live, verse 3? Humble ourselves and acknowledge others more important than yourself.
- What are we to be to the world? A light.
- What do you think the world is looking for when they look at people who believe in Jesus.
- How do your actions resemble Jesus'?

**Practice:** Say (Memorize) Key passage

**Pray:** Thank God for being the perfect example for us to follow. Ask God to help you be a good representative for Jesus to the world and your community.

**Wednesday Night, November 6**

**Cubbies** – Bear Hug 11 “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.” John 10:27

**Sparks:**

**Hang Glider** – 1 John 4:19, We love because He first loved us.

**Wing Runner** – Proverbs 20:11, Even a child makes himself known by his acts, by whether his conduct is pure and upright.

**Sky Stormer** – Isaiah 9:6, For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**T & T’s** – 2.2 The Bible Should be Studied Carefully

2 Timothy 2:15, Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

**Saturday Night:** (Preschool & Children)

Take a few minutes to debrief last Sunday’s lesson.

Preview for Sunday, October 20

**Peter Performed Miracles** (Acts 9:32-43)

- What was Peter doing? Traveling from place to place to tell the Gospel
- Who did he visit? Lydda
- Who did he heal? Aenas and Tabitha
- What was miraculous about Tabitha? He had died

**Upcoming Activities:**

November 4	Mom’s Bible Study @9AM Childcare Provided
November 5	Go Vote
November 8	Pickle Ball and Walking 6-8PM (Gym & Track)
November 17	Church-wide Fellowship Noon
November 28	Thanksgiving
December 1	<b>Preschoolers &amp; Kids singing in both services.</b> Hope—Christmas List to serve in Community
December 8	Peace—Pass on peace to our Community
December 14	Christmas in the Park (Acton Place Park—Kids sing at celebration 4PM) Christmas Party Childcare 5pm to 9pm
December 15	Joy—Share the gift of Joy—Kids will pass out cookies during Community Time
December 22	Love—Love your neighbor—Christmas Cards Caroling in nearby Assisted and Nursing Homes Meet at Church 4PM

