

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FROM MARCH 12, 2017



### **BIG IDEA:**

A lot of times at Wake, we'll look at a topic or situation in our lives and see what the scripture has to say about it. This month, we are looking at God's Word and how we should live our lives because of the truth in it.

This week we look at Philippians 2 and Paul calls us to have the mind of Christ as we walk in humility. We often focus on doing, without focusing on what we must be and who we must become like. When we have the mind of Christ, we reflect the model of Christ, which leads us to reflect the majesty of Christ.

### **ICE BREAKER:**

Who in the world would you want to be like in some way? How would you want to be like them?

### **DISCUSSION:**

1. Read Philippians 2.
2. What is the "mind" of Christ? How can we know if we have it? *See verse 5.*
3. How does the mindset of Christ lead us to action instead of thinking that the actions will lead us to the mindset?
4. Philippians 2:3, What does it mean to "count others more significantly than yourselves"?
5. Read John 14:15. What is the typical Christian response when we read this? But what is the biblical response based on the sentence structure that is there?

*Love doesn't come from obedience, obedience is a supernatural response of love.*

6. What was Christ's example of humility for all of mankind and what encouragement do we have in that? *See vs. 6-8.*
7. What are some of the characteristics of Jesus that we can learn from His model of humility? How can we reflect that model?
8. Read vs. 9-11. Jesus is the object of worship for the whole world. How do we worship Him?
9. Reread vs. 12-18. In this section, Paul says that we are to be "lights in the world," How are we better equipped with the mind of Christ to be lights in the world?

### **APPLICATION:**

10. Every day you get ready for the day. How do you prepare your mind each day to have the mindset of Christ?
11. Jesus calls us to *go and be*, not *go and do*. What does this passage tell us we must have in order to be a reflection of Jesus?
12. Read 1 Peter 5:5-7. Each day we have to look into the mirror of God's word and stare intently at the image of Jesus to see how we can reflect him. What "mirror" are you using to reflect your love for God, mindset, love for others, and actions? What inconsistencies do you see in your own life that are keeping you from being a reflection of Jesus to the whole world? Where do you need to be clothed in humility?
13. In Vs. 10-11 Paul speaks of the majesty of Christ by saying, "every knee should bow...and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." Spend some time in prayer out loud as a group worshipping the majesty of Christ.

- "Jesus you are \_\_\_\_\_."