LifeGroup Meeting

Becoming Famous 3 "Humbly Exalted"

Get To Know You Question:

Who is the most humbled person you have met, and why?

Let's Dig Deeper

- **1.** What does it mean that Jesus emptied himself and made himself nothing? How do we see this in his birth? In his life? In his death?
 - Why do you think Jesus needed to empty himself in order to become a human? Obviously Jesus did not stop being God when he became a human, so in what way(s) did he empty himself?
 - What would it look like for us as a church community, to live in this way where we empty ourselves for others? How would it impact our church unity? How could it impact our community?
 - In most cultures throughout time, humility was almost seen as a weakness. Why? Can we see evidence of this in our culture today?
 - How difficult is it to surrender our own rights and privileges? What are some of the rights and privileges that Jesus surrendered for us?
 - What would it mean for us to serve others and not worry about our name, significance or success?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that a perfect God, the King of kings, willingly chose to take a position of a servant? How did Jesus demonstrate his position as a servant during his earthly ministry and death?
 - Can you think of some specific times that you think Jesus would have been tempted to be selfish? How did he respond?
 - Is there a specific area or time when you find yourself most tempted to be selfish?
 - What are any of your current circumstances that require of you to exercise a servant heart? How can the humility of Christ make a difference in your circumstances?

- 3. Jesus gave up many things to save us on the cross. Are there things that you are struggling to give up to live out the Gospel?
 - A definition of humility could be this: "Humility is not thinking less of ourselves, but is really not thinking of ourselves at all." Do you agree with this definition of humility? Why or why not? How would you describe humility?
 - How does your attitude reflect Christ's attitude (Philippians 2:5)? On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate yourself? How would others rate you (e.g., spouse, children, coworkers, boss, neighbor)?
- 4. What astonishes you the most about Jesus' humility (Philippians 2:6-8)?
 - In what specific ways do we humble ourselves before others, like Christ did?
- 5. Because Jesus expressed humility in all that he did, God highly exalted him. What are some ways that God exalted Jesus?
 - How often do we forget that it is God who exalts the humble? Why do we feel the need to be exalted by our spouse or co-workers? Why do we get so hurt when we don't receive it from them?
 - What does it mean to you that Christ is LORD? What does "Lord" mean when it comes to our relationship with Jesus?
 - What is categorically wrong with believing that Jesus is my savior, but not following him as Lord?
 - In our Christian life, how do we strive to submit to Christ's lordship? What area(s) do we presently struggle to relinquish to the Lord? How is this area holding us back in our Christian life?
- 6. The chief end of all we as human beings is to bring glory God by enjoying him forever. Meaning, when we find joy in serving God, that brings him glory. How often have we thought of our service to Christ, or the Church, as a means of bringing God glory?
 - Share one area where you can find joy in bringing God glory this week?
 - Share one area where you can imitate Christ's example of service and humility in the coming week?
- 7. Close in prayer.