

LIFE GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Philippians 2:9-11

These questions are for the **November 24, 2024** message, “JOY IN CHRIST: unwavering confidence in uncertain times – **Jesus: Exalted Over All.**” Please read the sermon passage (Philippians 2:1-11) together out loud, to set the context for our study in verses 9-11.

Exaltation: *The act of raising someone in rank, power, or character.*

Passage Outline

The exaltation of Jesus...

1. ...is assured. (9)
 - A. Jesus humbled Himself according to the will of the Father.
 - B. “Therefore” God, Himself, “...highly exalted Him...”
2. ...is absolute. (9)
 - A. Jesus was raised and is seated at the right hand of God (Ephesians 1:20-23)
 - B. Jesus was given all authority
 - 1) “...far above all rule and authority and power and dominion...”
 - 2) “...above every name that is named...”
 - 3) “...not only in this age but also in the one to come...”
 - 4) ALL things are placed under His feet
3. ...will be undeniable. (10-11)
 - A. At the name of Jesus, every knee will bow
 - B. Every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord

Life Group Discussion Questions

1. The Old Testament (Isaiah 53) foretold Jesus’ selfless act, in taking the form of a servant even to death, “bearing the iniquity of many” to fulfill the will of God. Why was it important that Jesus kept His divinity as he took on human form? Could a mere human satisfy the wrath of God in a way that would guarantee eternal life to all who place their faith and trust in Him?
2. Jesus was given “the name that is above every name” (Philippians 2:9). That name is “Lord,” an indication of the one holding the highest position one could hold—above all others! What does this mean for those who follow Jesus? What does this mean for those who oppose Jesus?
3. According to Pastor Jacob, “We are living in an already/not yet phase where the victory is won, but the game isn’t over yet.” What difference should Christ’s victory over sin and death make in our daily lives right now? What are some ways we can guard our hearts from discouragement?
4. When we accept the absolute Lordship of Jesus Christ over ALL of creation, what are some appropriate responses? How should this truth influence our faith in Him? How should it impact our focus on evangelism as the “Day of the Lord” approaches? How might it impact our actions in the workplace? How should Christ’s Lordship impact our relationships?

BONUS QUESTIONS:

For you personally, what is the greatest challenge to Christ’s Lordship over your life?

How can your group pray for you as you seek to follow Jesus completely?