

Jesus emptied Himself – or made Himself nothing – in coming to earth. How would you explain this verse to someone who questioned that Jesus was 100% God and 100% man? Why is it so hard for us to see and accept God as a servant? How can you cultivate a servant heart like Jesus this Christmas season?

Jesus's ultimate humility comes not in His human birth, but in His sacrificial death on the cross. How can you celebrate Jesus's birth this year with an eye to the cross? One day every knee will bow and tongue confess Jesus is Lord, but we don't want to wait until then. How will you lead your family, your spouse, or your own heart to intentionally bow, confess, and worship Jesus as Lord this Christmas?

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

Who in your life has not yet bowed and confessed Jesus as Lord? How can you reach out to them and point them to Jesus and the Gospel this Christmas?



LEAVING HOME

December 1, 2024

Philippians 2:5-11

JESUS LEFT HIS _____ HOME SO WE COULD HAVE A _____ HOME WITH HIM.

I. Jesus lived in His _____ home as God. – v. 5-6

Jesus has eternally existed with a _____.

II. Jesus _____ His eternal home to live as a man. – v. 6-7

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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. STUDY THE WORD

Read Philippians 2:5-11. Think about your first Christmas in a new home – either as a child or an adult. What made it hard or special? How did having to leave your old home for the new home impact your experience in the new home? How do you think Jesus leaving His eternal home to come to earth might have impacted His human experience?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Read John 1:1, 17:5, 24. These verses add clarity to the truth that Paul proclaims – that God the Son existed from eternity past – long before coming to earth as Jesus. How does this truth bring a different perspective or weight to Christmas? How does this set Jesus and Christianity apart from other religions? When have you grasped for or taken advantage of your power and position rather than using it to serve others?

Jesus left His home because He is a _____.

III. So, we can _____ this sinful home to live with Him. – v. 8-11

Everyone is leaving this home one day.

_____ *will your next home be?*

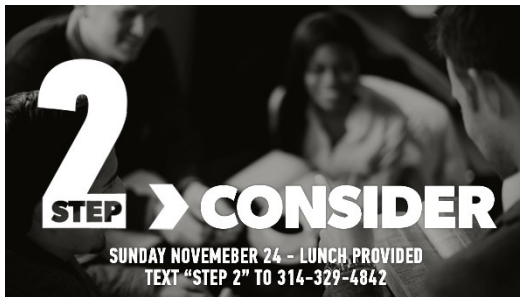
Stewardship Report:

Last Week: \$9,488

This Month: \$0

Last Month: \$50,115

Monthly Budget: \$44,759



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