

WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST
Philippians 2:1-11
"We Have Adjustments to Make"
Philippians 2:5-8

My life requires regular ADJUSTMENTS

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus" Philippians 2:5 (NIV)

"The mind and adjustments in you all, let it be the same which also was in Christ Jesus"

Philippians 2:5 (TAB)

I cannot stay where I am and GO WITH GOD

- Abraham
- Moses
- Peter, James, John
- The Philippian Church

My ultimate example of making adjustments is JESUS

Vs. 6 *"Who being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped"*

1. Jesus Christ is fully and completely GOD
"...Christ, who is God over all..." Romans 9:5
2. Jesus did not have to "grab" or "snatch" to be God...HE ALREADY IS GOD
John 1:1-2
3. In Genesis 3:5, Adam and Eve's temptation was "You will be LIKE GOD"

My Adjustment: Give up trying to BE GOD

Vs 7 *"...but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness..."*

1. Jesus did not give up His Divine nature...He LAI D IT ASIDE
"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus, that though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich" 2 Corinthians 8:9

Jesus never lost his divine nature...only his DIVINE ENVIRONMENT

My Adjustment: Lay aside my attitude of MY RIGHTS

Vs 8 *"And being found in appearance as a man he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross"*

1. Jesus' true nature was The Son of God but he came and appeared as a **HUMBLE SERVANT**
"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us" John 1:14
2. Jesus willingly gave his life on the cross so we could miss the cross and **HAVE LIFE**

My Adjustment: Living an obedient life of service so others may know the **SOURCE OF LIFE**

"He is not fool who gives what he can not keep to gain that which he can not lose"

Jim Elliot's journal October 28, 1949

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

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