

PHILIPPIANS Lesson 25

Chapter 2, verses 10-11: Every Tongue Shall Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord

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Philippians 2:1-8 reveals that the MIND that was in Christ Jesus was one that denied self-interest, self-love, and self-glory for the benefit of others. This is the “one mind” (vs 2, 3, 5) that God desires should govern every saved person so that we might know the fulness of joy in our Christian lives (vs 2).

Vs 9 Jesus was exalted by God (vs 9) because He humbled Himself (vs 7-8) and put others first. So, if we will follow His example, we can also look forward to that same eternal benefit.

- God could command us to obey Him just because He is God. This would only be reasonable service (Rom 12:1). God does not owe us anything when we do right.
 - Yet, the Bible record shows that God DOES reward those who serve Him (2 Jn 8, Col 3:23-24).

Vs 11 “Every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord...”

- Jesus Christ is “**THE Lord**” (2 Cor. 4:5, 1 Thes. 4:16); there is no other Lord. (Jn 13:13). He is King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev 19:16).
- Not “*Jesus is Lord,*” not “*Christ is Lord,*” but “**Jesus Christ is Lord.**”
 - Jesus is the name of the man. “**Thou shalt call his name Jesus**” (Mt 1:21, Lk 1:31).
 - Christ is the Anointed One, the Messiah, the One who would fulfil all the promises.
 - Both saved and lost people will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Psalms 29:1-2 “Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name.”

- Confessing that Jesus Christ is Lord is only giving Him his due. Confessing anyone else to be Lord would be inappropriate and unfitting.

Psalms 33:21 “...our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.”

- The saved shall confess His name and rejoice for all eternity.
- The lost shall confess His name, but they will get no joy from it.

Psalms 34:3 “³ O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.”

- On Earth, men exalt other men (movie stars, sports players, singers, etc.). None of these people accomplished anything of eternal value for anybody.
- In Heaven, only Jesus will be magnified and exalted. His actions on our behalf provided eternal benefits for all.

Psalms 86:9-13 “...and I will glorify thy name for evermore... and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell.”

- No one has done for us what Jesus Christ has done for us. He is worthy of being magnified by us.

Php 2:11 “To the glory of God the Father.”

- It was God’s plan to redeem us by sending His Son to pay for our sins. It glorifies God when we confess Jesus Christ as Lord (Rom 10:9-10).