



**PHILIPPIANS:
ENJOYING LIFE**
An interactive Bible study for
individuals, families,
and LIFE Groups

~ Week Six ~
"The Joy of Community"
Philippians 2:1-4

SERMON NOTES

Record your insights and observations from this week's sermon:

Welcome to UPC's weekly Bible study guide. We pray that this tool will help you **RECALL** what you heard in the Sunday sermon, **REFLECT** on the Scriptures more fully, and **RESPOND** with love to God, church, and community. If you miss a sermon, or would like to review it, visit our website: www.upc-orlando.com.

WARM UP

What does community mean to you? Describe a time when you feel you experienced genuine community.

RECALL THE SUNDAY SERMON

Read Philippians 2:1-4

a) According to verse 1, what are the prerequisites for experiencing community with others?

b) Based on this text, how do you think the apostle Paul would define community?

c) What does "being united with Christ" (vs. 1) mean to you?

d) In what specific way(s) did God speak to you personally through this week's sermon?

REFLECT A BIT FURTHER

a) What makes the kind of community described in these verses difficult for people to experience on a regular basis?

b) Even within our church there is a great diversity of tastes, backgrounds, spiritual maturity levels, and lifestyles. How can people who differ from each other so drastically still be “one in spirit and purpose” (vs. 2)?

c) Where do you think UPC needs to improve in order to experience the joy of community as described in these verses?

d) If you are in a LIFE Group or Bible study, identify one or two ways you would like to see your group experience the reality of these verses more consistently:

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

a) On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being “in the pits” and 10 being “almost like heaven,” rate the quality of your current experience of community: _____

b) Why did you choose that number?

c) In light of what you have learned from Philippians 2:1-4, what steps will you take to move that number closer to 10?

PRAY FOR UPC

Please pray this week for:

- **Our guests** who visited UPC for the first time on Easter Sunday. Pray that if any of them do not have a relationship with Christ, they will turn from their sins and trust Christ this week.
- **Vacation Bible School** June 11-16 - that many children will give their hearts to Jesus that week.
- Our **presbytery's** efforts to start up a Reformed University Fellowship at UCF next fall. This coming Wednesday, the committee overseeing this effort will interview **Ande Johnson**, our College Director, for the position of campus minister. Pray for Ande as he answers their questions and makes plans for the summer.
- Our Nursery Coordinator, **Melanie Moen**, as she enlists workers for the summer. Pray that our nursery will reflect the love God has for children.
- **Susan Sundeen**, our missionary to Monterrey, Mexico, as she prepares Vacation Bible School programs for the churches she is working with.
- **Janet Crow**, our new Welcoming Team leader, and all the members of our Welcoming Team, that people will sense the winsome presence of God as they enter the Worship Center each Sunday morning.