

notes from small group

prayer requests

SMALL GROUP

— *study guide* —



For sermon on Sunday, October 14, 2018

group discussion questions

1. What is the main point from Scripture as it was taught on Sunday
2. Are there any Study Questions from this week that you want to discuss?
3. What difference should this Scripture make in our lives today?
4. How Does God want your personal beliefs and actions to change based on this Scripture?
5. How can you plan to accomplish this change with God's grace this week? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:5-8

this month's memory verse

personal study questions

1. What healthy expectations should people have upon leaders in the church?
2. What unhealthy expectations do people have upon leaders in the church?
3. What kinds of responsibilities might elders rightly delegate to others? What responsibilities should elders hold on to and not delegate?
4. What similarities do you discover in comparing this story with the story in Acts 6:1-6?
5. What “pressing” or “urgent” matters keep you from the “important” matters of your life?
6. Why is it tempting for a leader to allow himself/herself to become overburdened with responsibilities?
7. What can be done to overcome this temptation?
8. What signs indicate a leader is “overburdened”?
9. How does faith in God influence a leader to maintain a healthy practice regarding his/her responsibilities?
10. What happens to the leader who allows himself/herself to be overly burdened by responsibility? Think about what happens to him/her in reference to spiritual health, to effectiveness in leadership, to his/her family, and to other people in his/her sphere of work.
11. How does everyone benefit when leaders resist the temptation to do everything themselves?
12. What leadership principles do we learn from this story?
13. How does this story practically help you with any leadership position you have?