Imitating Christ's Humility - Philippians 2:1-11

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Paul wanted unity in the Philippian church so they could carry on the ministry of the gospel; but such unity would only be possible by being united with Christ so that there would be harmonious relationships among the believers themselves.
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Scripture
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2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.
3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves,

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8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

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(Philippians 2:1-11 NIV)
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