Philippians 2 • When Theology Intersects with Relationships

- 1. (v.1-11) The attitude of Christ was that of a <u>servant</u> unconcerned with personal <u>interests</u> but personal <u>relationships</u>:
 - a. "...encouragement in Christ..."
 - b. "...consolation of <u>love</u>..."
 - c. "...fellowship of the Spirit..."
 - d. "...affection and compassion..."
- 2. (v.2) Christian <u>unity</u> is not for the sake of <u>unity</u> but the Gospel:
 - a. "...being of the same mind..."
 - b. "...maintaining the same <u>love</u>..."
 - c. "...united in spirit..."
 - d. "...intent on one purpose..."
- 3. (v.3-4) The greatest enemy of the Gospel and unity is <u>self-interest</u>.
- 4. (v.5-11) The example of Christ as a bond-servant is to die to <u>self</u> and leave personal <u>exaltation</u> to the Father.
- 5. (v.12-18) Biblical joy is the setting aside of personal <u>needs</u> to do whatever it takes to advance the Gospel in <u>truth</u> and <u>love</u>.