

The Pattern of Jesus

Philippians 2.6-8



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Pattern of Jesus:
Although | Not | But

Philippians 2

⁶ who (Jesus), although he was in the form of God,
did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,
⁷but made himself nothing,

taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And
being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming
obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

ALTHOUGH – Form of God (Free)

NOT – Exploit equality (Selfish)

BUT – Emptied / Humbled himself (Selfless)

John 13.3-9

³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper.

He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist.

⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?"

⁷ Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸ Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me."

⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

1 Corinthians 9:19 (and context)

¹⁹For **ALTHOUGH** I am free from all, [I have **NOT** made use of these freedoms (see 12a, 15a, 18b)], **BUT** I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them.

If you want a religion to make you feel really comfortable, I certainly don't recommend Christianity.

–CS Lewis, God in the Dock

Philippians 2:5

⁵ Have this mind among **yourselves**, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

I. Identify

1. Identify

2. Re-imagine

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2. Re-imagine

3. Share