

Anarchy? Philippians 2:1-13

- I. God calls us to unity in Him. Vs.1-4
 - a. There is an important difference between Unity and Uniformity
 - b. Unity is an impossibility without a foundation to agree upon. Vs. 2
- II. Unity is destroyed in Selfishness. Vs.3
 - a. Selfishness is anarchy from God.
 - b. Vs. 3 Selfishness is Empty Conceit- (See also Eph 5:15-17)
 - c. Following after Jesus means dying to self.
 - i. Philippians 1:21 and 2:2-3
 - d. Vs. 3 The opposite of Selfishness is selflessness.
 - i. “More Important”-means to treat others as dignitaries.
 - ii. “Regard” means to hold in high esteem
- III. Jesus is the ultimate example of selfless living vs.5-11
 - a. Vs.5-8 Jesus lived with an incredible humility
 - b. Vs.9-11 Jesus’ is worthy of our worship.
- IV. Live United In Christ. 12-13
 - a. Work out your salvation in fear and trembling vs. 12
 - i. This passage does not say work for your salvation but work Out your salvation.
 - ii. This passage does not say to be afraid of God but be in awe of his authority. (See 1 John 4:8,18)
 - iii. Jesus is Lord when no one else is watching.
 - b. Jesus has a good plan and he wants to work it out through you. vs. 13
 - i. Allow others to see Jesus through you.

Conclusion:

You live united in Christ when Jesus is Lord of your life...

Who would others say is Lord of my life in my speech and actions?