Discovering Joy in Humility

Philippians 2:1-4

Introduction: Humility is the one quality in life that we can be blind to easily. Today I would like to have you open your eyes to the Word of God and the indispensable trait of humility taught in Philippians 2. The book of Philippians was written to real people with real problems. It doesn't paper over their problems or offer superficial answers. The church at Philippi was a good church, but it wasn't perfect. None is.

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Four big questions expose our part in any conflict.
1. Am I motivated by Christ's great love? (vs. 1)
2. Am I seeking unity or am I seeking my own way? (vs. 2)
3. Am I selfish and arrogant or selfless and humble? (vs. 3)
4. Am I putting the interests of others above my own? (vs. 4)
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Good relationships are intentionally built on four attitudes.

a. The same mind – An attitude that seeks common ground.
b. The same love – An attitude of self-sacrifice.
c. Being in full accord – An attitude of inner "soulish" agreement.

Conclusion - Humility makes the journey joyful. Pride makes it miserable.

d. Of one mind – An attitude of seeking the highest ultimate purpose.