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*"Faith is taking the
first step even when
you don't see the
whole staircase."*

*Martin
Luther
King, Jr.*

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**Proverbs 3:5-6 The Passion
Translation (TPT)**

*Trust in the Lord completely,
and do not rely on your own
opinions.*

*With all your heart rely on him
to guide you,
and he will lead you in every
decision you make.*

*⁶ Become intimate with him in
whatever you do,
and he will lead you wherever
you go.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Responsive Reading today – Isa. 59:1-4; 15-21

Stay safe church family.

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The next Food Pantry giveaway will be Monday, June 15th. Please call the church on June 11th or 12th from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. so that you can get a number.

Please remember that you can watch Sunday messages on our website - www.zionhill-mbc.org.

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9



FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR.....

“In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross!”

Philippians 2:5-8

As we continue our series “**It’s All In The Mind**” today our focus is on 2:5-8, where Paul encourages us to have the right mindset.

Philippians 2:5-8 is one of the most important passages in the New Testament because it reveals that Jesus was not a man and He was not God, but He is both!

In other words, have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as

a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Jesus Is God

Philippians 2:6 says that Jesus is God. While He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped. What does this mean? The first important word is “form.” An English dictionary will not give us the meaning of this word. The Greek word for “form” is morphe which means that Jesus did not look like God on the outside but was completely God on the inside. It means that Jesus possessed the attributes

of God. The sense of the word “existed” means that Jesus was continuously existing as God. He did not cease to be God even when He came to earth.

Jesus Is Man

When Jesus lived on this earth, why did He tell the disciples that He did not know when the end of the world would come in Matthew 24:35-36? Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. No-one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. If He is God, how can this be true? The answer is found in the next verse of Philippians 2:7. But emptied Himself, taking the form of a bondservant, and being made in the likeness of men.

The Greek word for “emptied” is kenoo which means that Jesus gave up something when He became a man. This means that Jesus decided to limit the use of His divine attributes in order to live as a human being. He limited the [use of His knowledge](#) and [wisdom](#) , for example. Nor did He look like God

on the outside. At the Mount of Transfiguration, His Shekinah glory was displayed for a short moment in time. The verse also says that Jesus was just like a man in that He had the attributes of a man, yet He was without sin! That is the meaning of the word's "form" or morphe and "likeness" or homoioma which also means "appearance or image." He was both God and man.

Jesus Humbled Himself

Philippians 2:8 says that Jesus looked like a man outwardly. He was God and man on the inside, but He looked like a man on the outside. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Why did He do this? So that he could die for you and me! As a result, He can forgive our sins so that we can go to heaven.

So when we have "**THE MIND OF CHRIST**" you should have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. We must learn to humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God, especially when addressing one another.