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SESSION 3

*A Real Man Betters God's World:
His Community*



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- The hallmark trait of Philippians 2:3 leadership is humility. Servant leadership begins and ends in humility. So, what does this look like?

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- When we empower someone else, we encourage and support them to use their gifts and talents to make a positive difference in the world.

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B. Jesus is our model. It is His love that compels us to love and empower others. He told His disciples.

C. Imitating Christ means not seeking our own good but the good of others.

- Our freedom in Christ allows us to build up and benefit others (1 Corinthians 10:24). Paul did not seek his “own benefit, but the benefit of many, so that they may be saved.” – 1 Corinthians 10:33



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