

A Living Model of Joy

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Phil 2:1-11

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Synopsis:

Serving with joy begins with knowing **where** we live. We don't live in the USA or in Kenya. We live **in Jesus Christ**, who is Lord and Savior.

Thinking this through is the key to serving with joy.

I.

Citizenship

Phil 2:5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus

Passport? What does it read?

Lydia and women by the River in Philippi (Acts 16)

-leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony

*Whose are we? USA, Kenya, Roman Colony?

Conduct depends upon country. READ Phil 1:27-30 *poluteuo*

II.

Ruler

Phil 2:11 And every tongue should confess that Jesus is Lord

Pictures of Kibaki (Odingo as well)

Caesar vs Jesus in a Roman Colony

-Caesar as Lord and Savior

-Philippi: Roman Colony named for Philip of Macedon

168 BC under Roman control

42 BC two battles: Cassius and Brutus, Octavian and Mark

Antony

-49 AD = Acts 16

-Retirement community for soldiers

*Compare San Diego, Colo Spgs, Norfolk

Who rules in your community?

- increasingly secular culture
- Christendom is over
- we are now missionaries to Orange County

E.g. Election in Narok:

- Rep or Dem?
- Obama, McCain, Kibaki?
- *No, Jesus is Lord in our group

III.

Citizens of Jesus

Phil 2:7-8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself

Picture of our group in Narok, just after election

- Jesus is Lord and Savior
- What do we do? LOOK at 2:5-11
- *A Hymn about Jesus (E.g. Hymns in Kenya)
- What does a citizen of Jesus do?
- *Serve as an avenue into people's hearts

Our vision here:

- Jesus in our Heart
- Bible in our Hands
- Feet out Door

IV.

Serving in Jesus

Phil 2:2 Make my joy complete: be of the same mind

Sign in Kenya: We Treat, Jesus Heals (Motto)

- What we did: gather, read Bible, sermon, pray, treat

Today: What do we do as citizens of Jesus?

- Passport says "Jesus"
- 3 questions:
 1. What is Jesus up to?
 2. Where is he serving?
 3. How can I join him?