## "JESUS IS OUR SERVANT" DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on Jesus, the "Servant" of God. He is the One Who "Serves" and shows us how to be a "Servant" in this world we live in.

It comes from our Prayer Verse: Philippians 2:5-8 "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, Who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a *bondservant*, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross."

Our encouragement from these verses starts with Jesus, the greatest example of a Servant to all mankind. Jesus became the perfect *Servant* by coming down from Heaven, putting on human flesh, so He can offer Himself as a sacrifice so we can call Him Savior! The very same One Who had all the power, presence and authority of God, humbled Himself and stripped Himself of all the privileges and rightful dignity He had being One with God, and assumed the place of a servant among this lost world. He saw our need for Him and acted in humble obedience to the Father all the way to the cross. He showed us what true 'servanthood' is that only a loving Savior can offer a sinful soul. He showed us what true love and sacrifice is and how to show that to others by what He did for us on the cross and how He walked His life out with others while here on earth. In *Him alone* is all we need to live lives with eternal hope, victory and *servanthood* in this lost world. As His children, we can ask that He will help us humble our hearts and minds so we can be one with Him, having His same mind, purpose and attitude as we walk this road of life with Him. We can ask that just as He showed us His example of humility, we will see this and offer that to others around us. We can ask that if we struggle, we will remember that He *chose* to put on flesh and serve us in humble obedience and we can do this for others as well because His presence lives within us. And for those who have not reached this journey with Him yet, we can ask that they will understand that He continues to serve them by offering them His Holy Spirit daily, knocking at their hearts' door, willing to give them His salvation, power and presence to live in this world with His attitude and mindset so they can walk in peace, joy and servanthood with Him. We can ask this in full hope because we know Who He is! He is God the Son, God the Savior, *God the Servant* and we can trust in Him in all things in our lives! Let us pray:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts and praise You for sending Jesus, Your *Servant*, to show us what true *servanthood* is. We pray that I and...

(names of those you are praying for)

will have the same attitude and purpose and [humble] mind which was in You, Lord Jesus. We pray that You will be our example in humility. We ask that we will understand that You stripped Yourself of all privileges and rightful dignity so as to assume the guise of a *servant* and became like man, being born with human flesh. We pray that we will understand that after You did this, You did not stop there but humbled Yourself further and carried Your obedience all the way to the cross for us. Lord, thank-you for loving us with this everlasting love and may we humble our hearts and accept this gift, all for the glory of Your name, and follow your example as we walk this life with You. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen."