#### SMALL GROUP RECOURCE BIG IDEA:

Loving God is serving others like Jesus did.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Philippians 2:1-11 Luke 2:1-20 John 19 Mark 12:28-31

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

Who is Jesus? What did He give up to come to earth?

If you were God and you were going to come to earth to show yourself to man, how would you come and what would you look like? Why did Jesus come the way He did?

Why did Jesus come to earth? What does that mean to you?

In Philippians 2:1,2 what does Paul ask? How much are you experiencing encouragement, comfort, fellowship, tenderness, and compassion? Where do you look for these things?

When you see one of these things missing in someone else,

what could you do to supply what is missing? When you are missing one of these things, where do you look first to get what you think you're missing?

Share one thing you already know that you will do for someone else based on what you have just discussed.

#### PRAYER FOCUS:

Praise Jesus for His incredible love. Agree with God about specific acts of self-centeredness. Thank God for sending Jesus to die for you. Ask God to open your eyes to see opportunities to serve others. **FAMILY RESOURCE BIG IDEA:** Loving God is serving others like Jesus did.

READ PHILIPPIANS 2:1-4 How does "being thankful" change your life? Feed each other dinner.

#### **READ PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8**

Who is our example? How should we be like Him? Play "follow the leader".

#### **READ PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11**

What reward did Jesus have? When did Jesus get His reward? Make up a "victory cheer" for Jesus.

#### HOW DOES THE CHRISTMAS STORY SHOW THAT JESUS WAS HUMBLE?

Matthew 1:23 WHO??? is with us? Matthew 2:2 WHO were they looking for? Luke 2:7,16 Born WHERE??? Luke 2:22-24 Why not a sheep?

Luke 1:30-31

How would you get ready for Him? How will you celebrate Jesus as both a King and a servant at Christmas? Make your plans now.

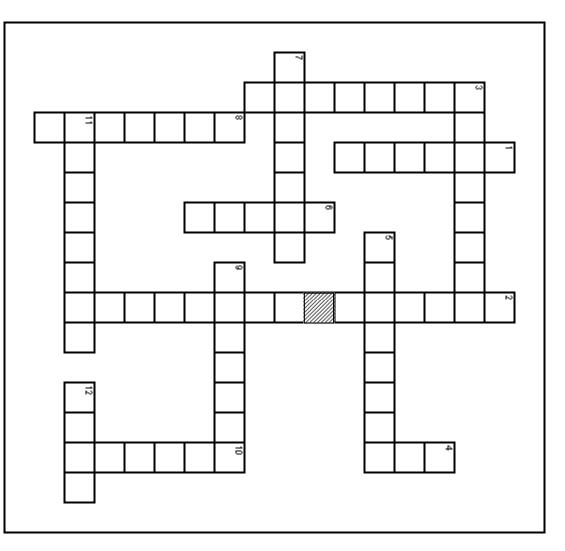
#### MEMORY VERSE

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked Him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:28-31 (NIV)

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# Philippians 2:1-11

All clues are from the NIV version of the Bible



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- ours should be like Jesus (Philippians 2:5-8)
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- $\overline{}$ servanthood (Philippians 2:3)
- warm caring (Philippians 2:1)
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- <u>-</u> being the same (Philippians 2:6)

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where Jesus showed His

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It will confess (Philippians 2:11)

lifted high (Philippians 2:9) obedience (Philippians 2:8)

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### Down

- who we should look out for (Philippians 2:4)
- did what God wanted

- ω desire to do better (Philippians (Philippians 2:8)
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Philippians 2:1-11

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