

CROSSLINEYOUTH: CAMPUS CONNECT [2.24.2012]

→ YOUR MISSION:

- 1) **Point** to *Christ* as the ultimate treasure in life
- 2) **Find** out where your friends are in their faith in Christ
- 3) **Challenge** each other to know & grow in Christ
- 4) **Love** your friends & find ways to be united with them in Christ

HAVE SOMEONE OPEN IN PRAYER.

HEADS UP:

***Before you get to reading the passage, explain briefly who's talking in this passage and who's being talked to.

VERSE DISCUSSION:

“5 Make your own attitude that of Christ Jesus, 6 who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be used for His own advantage. 7 Instead He emptied Himself by assuming the form of a slave, taking on the likeness of men. And when He had come as a man in His external form, 8 He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death- even to death on a cross. 9 For this reason God highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow- of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth- 11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Philipians 2:5-11 HCSB

1. Paul gives Christians a big job here, to have the same attitude of Jesus. That's a huge standard! But we can't miss the WHY behind his command. The reason Christians are to imitate Jesus is because He has served, loved and cared for them!

Let's talk about the things this passage shows us that Jesus has done for anyone who'll surrender to Him:

2. Jesus' sacrificial service of people and His substitutionary death for their sin is the mold that Christians are called to show to others. What does that look like for the average kid at school or home?

3. Verse 10-11 says that one day, every knee will bow in honor of King Jesus...that includes those who love Him AND those who until that point, had rejected him. The Bible teaches that it's this point in time when true Christ-followers are welcomed into heaven & when Christ-rejectors will be cut off from God. Given this reality, how should a Christian respond?

