

SERMON OUTLINE FOR PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 29, 2015

“Minding Our Own Business”

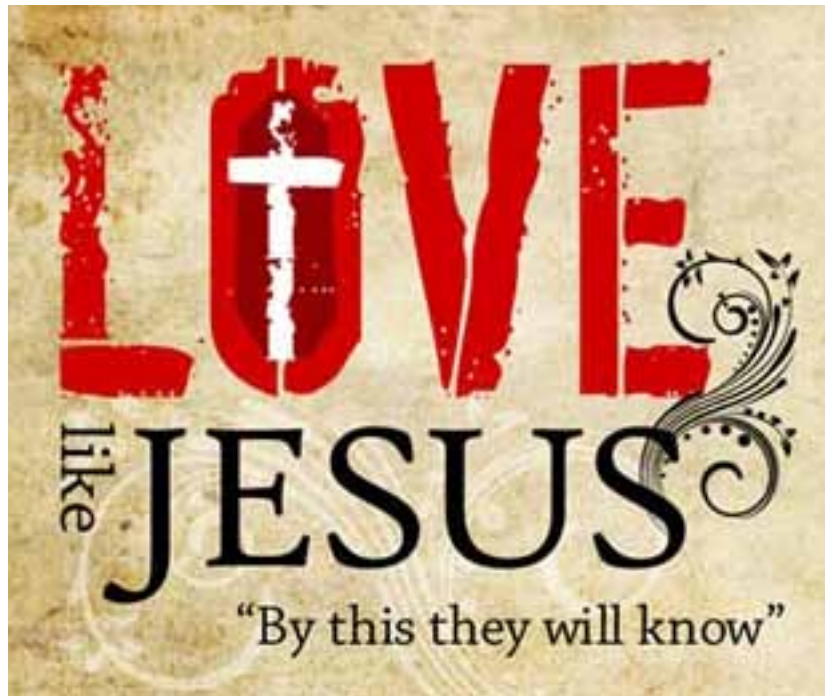
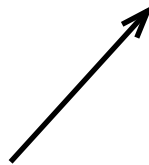
Philippians 2:5-11

INTRODUCTION: *Mind your own business!*

- I. WHAT IS THE BUSINESS WE NEED TO MIND? (verses 5-8)
 - A. Be Christians . . . “little Christs”
 - B. To be Christ-like is to be humble (v. 8)
 - The parable of the wheat field
- II. THE BUSINESS OF THE CHURCH:
Philippi, 60 A.D. & Richmond, 2008 A.D.
 - A. Does our “Sunday singin’” match our “Monday livin’?” (verses 5-11)
 - B. The problem of me, myself, and I . . . (verses 3-5)
 - C. St. Paul say MYOB:
 - Not: me, myself, and I . . . but: what’s best for all of us.
 - Let’s put an end to the “80/20 Principle” in the Church
- III. JESUS’ BUSINESS: Model and Power for Humility
 - A. The Model
 1. Know your rights and lay them aside (v. 5)
 2. Serve, don’t grab (v. 6)
 3. Identify with sinners, don’t prejudge them (v. 7)
 4. Love: give up my rights for another’s needs (v. 8; 1 John 4:9-11)
 - B. The Power (verses 9-11)
 1. He calls us to what He has already pioneered
 2. The same power that raised Jesus from death raises us to a new kind of living (Philippians 2:13,15 & Romans 6:3-4 & Ephesians 3:16-17)

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CONCLUSION: *The touch of the Master’s hand*

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

- ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves,
which is yours in Christ Jesus,
- ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not count equality with God
a thing to be grasped,
- ⁷ but made himself nothing,
taking the form of a servant,
being born in the likeness of men.
- ⁸ And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
- ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
that is above every name,
- ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven
and on earth
and under the earth,
- ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.