

Joy in Hard Times: In Christ  
Philippians 2:2-8  
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- I. Introduction
- II. Series: Joy in Hard Times (Philippians)
- III. Paul's encouragement (Phil. 2:2-3)
  - A. Have Christ's mindset (2:2)
  - B. Put others first (2:3)
  - C. How?
- IV. Be "in Christ" (Phil. 2:5-8)
  - A. What does "in Christ" mean?
  - B. To illustrate Paul quotes a hymn
    - 1. Christ was equal with God (2:6)
    - 2. Christ "emptied himself" by becoming (2:7)
      - a. A "slave" (2:7)
      - b. Obedient to crucifixion (2:8)
  - C. Have this mindset (2:5)
- V. Why do this? (Phil. 2:2)
- VI. What about us? (Phil. 2:3-8)
  - A. Backwards from societal standards
  - B. Paul's saying
    - 1. Be humble (2:3, 8)
    - 2. Serve others
    - 3. Downward mobility
  - C. This brings joy for us
- VII. Conclusion: Dr. Paul Brand (1914-2003)