Christ Left Us An Example

TEXT: <u>1 Pet. 2:2</u>; <u>Eph. 5:2</u>; <u>1 Cor. 11:1</u>

INTRODUCTION:

- A. 3 PASSAGES THAT URGE US TO BE "CHRIST-LIKE."
- B. WHAT WAS CHRIST LIKE? WHAT KIND OF EXAMPLE DID HE LEAVE.

I. JESUS LEFT AN EXAMPLE OF HUMILITY (Matt. 20:20-28).

- A. FOR SOME LIFE IS A POWER STRUGGLE(2 John 9).
- B. WHO IS THE GREATEST? (Matt. 20 26-27).
- C. HAVE THIS MIND IN YOU(Phil. 2:1-8).
- D. A CONSCIOUS EFFORT (1 Pet. 5:5).

II. OF PATIENCE (1 Pet. 2:21-23).

- A. LONGSUFFERING(Eph. 4:1-3; 2 Pet. 3:9, 15).
- B. STEDFASTNESS(Heb. 12:1-2).

III. OF WORK (John 5:17).

- A. MUCH TO BE DONE(Matt. 9:36-38).
- B. SO LITTLE TIME(John 9:4).
- C. BRINGS ABOUT SALVATION(Rom. 10:13-15).
- D. NOT IN VAIN(1 Cor. 15:58).

IV. OF COURAGE(Matt. 23; 21:12-13; 26:36-39).

- A. WE NEED COURAGE.
 - 1. For trial(2 Tim. 3:12).
 - 2. For work.
- B. GOD PROVIDES IT.
 - 1. Matt. 10:28; Rom. 8:31-38.
 - 2. **Phil. 2:12-13; 4:13**.

V. OF OBEDIENCE(Phil. 2:8).

- A. JESUS CAME TO DO GOD'S WILL(John 4:34; Luke 22:42).
- B. SALVATION TO HIS IMMITATORS(Heb. 5:8-9).
- C. PUNISHMENT TO THE DISOBEDIENT(2 Thess. 1:8-9).

CONCLUSION:

- A. HAVE YOU OBEYED THE LORD?
- B. ARE YOU WALKING IN HIS STEPS?