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SUNDAY:

# Grace-Driven Significance & Purpose

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## **Philippians 2:1-8 ESV**

<sup>1</sup> So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,

<sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

<sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

## **Philippians 2:1-8 ESV**

<sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.  
(your spouse included)

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

<sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,

## **Philippians 2:1-8 ESV**

<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

<sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

# Grace Gives You a Significant Purpose

- **We want to matter**
- **We need to matter**
- **We were created to matter.**
- **To our spouses and others**

# Grace Gives You a Significant Purpose

**Remember:**

**Grace is the super natural empowerment of God, that enables you to become the person he sees when He looks at you through Jesus**

**This Chapter says: You get to partner in that with God on the behalf of others!**

# Why Is Grace Such A Big Deal In Our Marriages?

**Grace is the gate keeper on whether our marriages thrive or die.**

- **Where grace flows, the marriage thrives**
- **Where grace is closed off, the marriage closes off also**

# How Do We Approach Developing A Grace Driven Marriage?

## Develop:

- A driven or intentional mindset
- A marathon or long-haul outlook
- A little thicker skin
- A “we make each other better” attitude



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# **Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A General Purpose**

**There are things that God requires  
from every one of us that are meant  
to benefit society as a whole.**

# Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A General Purpose

## Micah 6:8

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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# **Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A General Purpose**

**When you got married, you may  
have never thought how your lives  
together could make life better for  
everyone else.**

# **Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Specific Purpose**

- **We marry people with God given gifts, skillsets, and abilities.**
- **We can be intentional in helping our spouse harness those gifts to be used in your marriage and for others**

# Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Specific Purpose

## Philippians 2:4 (ESV)

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

\*(your spouse included)

# Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Specific Purpose

## Philippians 2:4 (The Message)

Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead. Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand

# **Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Relational Purpose**

- **We are not islands to ourselves, in our own personal ocean.**
- **We can be intentional in giving grace that is deigned to help develop real community with each other.**

# Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Relational Purpose

## Philippians 2:1-3

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## Luke 6:27-31

“But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them

# **Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Relational Purpose**

- **Our marriages are meant to be image bearers of the unity of God with in Trinity (the God-head)**
- **The love within the Trinity was always focused outward for the benefit of others**

# Grace That Promotes Significance In Others For A Relational Purpose

## Philippians 2:6

who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

# **Our Spouses Feel Significant In Any of The 4 Main Purposes When:**

- **We affirm each other**
- **We give each other attention**
- **We give each other admonition**

# **Mostly, The Biggest Obstacle To Getting This Right... Is You!**

**If we going to step into offering God's Grace and are determined to building a significant purpose into our spouses and marriages, we start by letting God fill our own need for significant purpose.**

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# **Mostly, The Biggest Obstacle To Getting This Right... Is You!**

**It is very difficult to give to others what you don't have yourself.**

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# **Mostly, The Biggest Obstacle To Getting This Right... Is You!**

**If you are going to get this right we start from a grace driven foundation that most times we don't have on our own.**

# Mostly, The Biggest Obstacle To Getting This Right... Is You Stepping Into Your Own Significance

## Philippians 2:12-13

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, <sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.



# Mostly, The Biggest Obstacle To Getting This Right... Is You Stepping Into Your Own Significance

## Ephesians 2:8-10

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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