



Greater Things

Week 3 – Follow Study Guide

Every great team has a few things in common. A couple of those things are strong leadership and great unity that follows that leadership. Every Super Bowl champ, every World Series team, every victorious military unit, every good restaurant staff, every successful office project team, every award-winning film cast and crew...any sort of great team you can think of has those two things: strong leadership and great unity that follows that leadership. The church is no different. This week in Greater Things we are discussing how to have greater unity and how to better follow and serve the direction of our church.

1. Think of any example of great leadership and teamwork. (Sports, movie scenes, historical events, anything...) How might your example have played out if there was no unity to follow the leadership?

“...complete my joy by being of the same mind...”
- Philippians 2:2 (ESV)

2. **Read Philippians 2:1-2.** What does it mean to “have the same mind” and “have the same love”? Does this mean everyone must like the same things, look the same, or act the same way?

“Let each of you look not only to his own interests,
but also to the interests of others.”
- Philippians 2:4 (ESV)

3. **Read Philippians 2:3-4.** These verses are a great recipe for unity. Every problem, idea, issue, and challenge is an opportunity for you to create unity or division. According to these verses what do you create? What’s the common theme Paul warns of here?

4. **Read Philippians 2:5-8.** We learned from the message this weekend that greater sacrifice creates greater unity, which leads to greater things. Sacrifice is hard. According to these verses, why do we have the passion and the power to sacrifice for others?

5. Greater sacrifice leads to greater unity. Greater unity allows us to follow along with the vision and mission of the church. And that creates opportunities for God to use The Cove Church in greater ways than we can imagine! Discuss with your group how you can sacrifice greater or create greater unity. What actions steps do you need to take?