

# As Natural As Breathing

## PHILIPPIANS 2:1-8

Anytime Jesus did anything while on this earth it contained 5 elements.

1. Love,..... for God the Father and His fellow man
2. Prayer, .....to the Father for direction
3. Obedience,...to the task given Him
4. Compassion,...Recognizing the need
5. Mercy,.....Acting....He did something.

Often our response is; I am not able to do this.....YET !!!

God's response; Ephesians 4:11-16

- "Prepare God's people" V 12
- "works of service" V 12
- WHY? "so the body may be built up" V 12
- "held together by supporting ligament" V 16
- As each part does it's work" V 16

God has given the church an enormous responsibility. Matthew 28:18-20

- When we can't go into ALL the world He often brings the world to us.
  
- How does this translate to me in a practical sense?
- In our families we often do what comes naturally. (LOVE)

As a family unit we naturally serve. Matthew 7:9

- IN our comfort zone (family) we exercise our gifts and talents out of love.
  
- Connect the dots; God's love + Christ's obedience + Holy Spirit's teaching = spiritual service in a practical way. Ephesians 5:1-2

As a body of believers (God's family unit) we will grow and our comfort zone will expand beyond the walls of this "house" .....UNTIL.....

**SERVING GOD BECOMES AS NATURAL AS BREATHING.**

