

SOME QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION & DISCUSSION:

—Our emphasis (during the Christmas season & also in our series of studies to explain the ACEFC Statement of Faith) is the Lord Jesus Christ! Here are three statements about the Christmas season that could prompt some important (& interesting) thoughts/discussion.

- 1) Christmas is an EXCELLENT time for PERSONAL REFLECTION & REMINDERS! It's a good time to pause & think about what the Lord provides for us.
- 2) Christmas tends to bring BOTH the BEAUTY & the BEAST out of our society! Why does this happen and how can we avoid falling into the trap of becoming anxious, irritable, stressed out, or impatient?
- 3) Christmas provides FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS of CHRIST an OPPORTUNITY to PRESENT the GOSPEL to THOSE WHO NEED TO TRUST CHRIST! Why is this an important reminder?

—Here are some additional discussion questions for use in your personal study or in a setting with someone else.

- How would you explain the meaning of humility?
- What's the relationship between humility & pride?
- In what way is humility connected to accepting God's grace as the source of your salvation?
- Philippians 2 gives us a clear explanation of Jesus' attitude toward what He had to do to rescue us from our sins. Even though He was/is/& always will be holy and sinless, not guilty in any way, He allowed Himself to be executed as if He was sinful & guilty. How is that related to humility?
- How can a proud person grow in humility? What steps should he take?
- How does a humble person keep from becoming a doormat?
- How does a lack of humility (pride) cause unhealthy relationships?
- How does humility result in harmonious relationship?
- Why is it improper to separate belief in Christ as Savior from recognizing Him as Lord? Why should we submit to His Lordship?