

For the week of June 3, 2018
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Heaven's Pattern for Earthly Living

Ninth week in the series: *Tenacious Together*

Philippians 3:20-21

In popular thought, heaven and earth have little to do with each other. The Scriptures tell a different story. The apostle Paul says that heaven has established an outpost on earth. Together, those of us who follow Jesus constitute a colony of heaven commissioned by God to spread the influence of heaven.

Discussion Questions:

1. Think of someone who you think exemplifies the life of faith. What characterizes that person?
2. What steps might you take to getting closer to someone who exemplifies the life of faith to which you aspire?
3. How do you think you are influenced by the cultural pattern of self-preservation and self-exaltation?
4. How might you go about resisting the influence of this pattern and instead opt for the pattern of self-giving love?
5. How might you spread the influence of heaven through the Christ-pattern of self-giving love?