

## PERSPECTIVE: WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

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### Context:

- ✓ The Apostle Paul **planted** the church in Philippi on his second missionary **journey** around 52 A.D.
- ✓ This is Paul's "**thank you**" letter in 62 A.D.
- ✓ Paul wrote Philippians from a Roman **prison** while awaiting potential execution.

- **Take INVENTORY On Your Mind!**

*Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being **like-minded**, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.*

Philippians 2:1-2

**Like-minded.** Gk phroneo. Having disposition or purpose; of the same mind or habit of thought. to set your affection on, to think, to be single-minded.

- **Your Mindset Can Point You Toward Success or Failure.**
- **If You Think Like Jesus, You Will Begin to LIVE Like Jesus.**

*Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in **humility** value others above yourselves,*

Philippians 2:3

**Humility.** Gk *tapeinophrosune*. modesty, humility of mind, lowliness of mind

- **Changing Your Mind Toward SelfLESSness.**

*<sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. <sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same **mindset as Christ Jesus:** <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a **servant**, being made in human likeness.*

Philippians 2:4-7

**Mindset as Jesus.** Gk phroneo. i.e. to have the mind of Christ.

### Keys to having mind of Christ:

- **Heartfelt Surrender.**
- **Freedom from cycle/pattern of Sin.**
- **Measurable Spiritual Disciplines.**

**Servant.** *doulos* (doo'-los); a slave, servant. Permanently devoted to do the will of another.

*Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.*

Luke 22:42

- **Changing Your Mind from INSIDE Out.**

*<sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,*

Philippians 2:8-9

*<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Philippians 2:10-11