**HAVE THE SAME MINDSET AS CHRIST JESUS**

Philippians 2:1-30 (Key verse 5)

*In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.*

1. What are some the fruits of being united with Christ? But despite enjoying these spiritual fruits in Christ, what did the believers in Philippi struggle with? (2; 1:27[[1]](#footnote-1), 4:2- 3[[2]](#footnote-2)) What are the things that prevented them from being united as ONE in Christ (3a) What are the things that would help them being united? (3b-4)
2. To be united, whose mindset did Paul urge the Philippian believers to have? (5) Who was Christ Jesus? (6a) How do we know that humility is the very essence of Jesus’ mindset? (6b-7, Mark 10:45; 3-4) Did he ever change this mindset? Explain (8) Then how greatly did God bless Jesus? (9-11; Matt 23:11- 12)
3. How could the Philippians work out their salvation?[[3]](#footnote-3) (12, Rom 8:29)Why should they do so with “fear and trembling”? (13) Why should they do *everything* without grumbling or arguing? (14-15) What is the only way to obey God with *fear and trembling* and without *grumbling and arguing*? (16)
4. How does Paul express his joy for the sacrifice and service of the Philippian believers’ faith? (17-18) Why does Paul hope to send Timothy to them (19-24)? Who was Epaphroditus, and why did Paul want to send him back to the Philippians (25-28)? What can we learn from Paul’s attitude toward his coworkers in the gospel ministry (29-30)?
1. **Phil 1:27**. Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **Phil 4:2-3.** I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. **Work out your salvation:** Many believe that one is born again in Jesus once and for all, and that is all. But it is not true. Salvation is an ongoing process. We call this ongoing process "sanctification." Sanctification is to grow in the image of Christ. **Rom 8:29a:** For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son. (NLT) [↑](#footnote-ref-3)