

KINGDOM Mindset

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Serving Others - Philippians 2:1-11

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“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, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant.”

Philippians 2:1-7

Temptation to be like God? A False narrative about being like God.

Satan said... *“For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God...”*

Genesis 3:5

- Selfish ambition. "What can I get?" > Selfish ambition causes division - James 4:1
- Vain conceit. "How do I look?" > Vain conceit causes comparison – Luke 18:11-12

Every time Jesus was in the room he was the most important... John 13:3-5

“Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father. He now showed the disciples the full extent of his love. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist...he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him”

John 13:1,3-5

To be Christlike = To put others first - Character of God: A Servant

“...whoever wants to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave – just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Matthew 20:27-28

The destination of transformation into the image of God isn't freedom from sin, but a humble servant.

How do I learn to put aside my rights and be more Christ-like?

Matthew 5:38-42

- Be Willing to Serve Others, Giving Up the Right to Be Served
- Letting Go of the Right to Retaliation - Forgiving Instead of Fighting Back
- Surrendering the Desire for My Comfort - Embracing Sacrificial Love
- Relinquishing the Need to Control Outcomes - Trusting God's Sovereignty

QUESTIONS

? In my circumstances... What will it cost me to have the same attitude that Jesus?
? Will I follow His way? Will I trust the outcomes to Him? Will I relinquish my rights?