

- The one who is Spiritual is to scope himself out while helping another caught in a trespass (Galatians 6:1).
- Scope out those who follow Paul's example and follow them (Philippians 3:17).
- Scope out those who cause divisions among the saints and avoid them (Romans 16:17).
- We are not scoping out the things seen, but the things not seen (2 Corinthians 4:18).

Philippians

Our Frame of Mind

The Things Graciously Given to Us (Philippians 1:29-30)

- Our suffering for Christ is an aspect of grace (Philippians 1:29).
 - It is a gracious thing for us to suffer on behalf of righteousness (1 Peter 2:19).
 - We have been given the Holy Spirit so that we may know the things graciously given to us (1 Corinthians 2:12).
 - The concept of suffering is to receive an impression from without.
 - It is used in both a positive and negative manner.
 - It is suffering because of the strong desires we have.
 - When we cease from sin, we will suffer due to the passions we have in doing sin (1 Peter 4:1).
 - The suffering of our Lord to enter into His glory (Luke 24:26).
 - We are called to suffer doing good (1 Peter 2:20–21).
 - We are to suffer in the same manner Christ suffered (1 Peter 2:23).
 - If we suffer, let it be for doing good, not bad (1 Peter 4:15, 19).
- The Faith to believe the Gospel for Salvation was given to use by grace (Philippians 1:29).
 - We do not produce faith to believe the Gospel.
 - God gives us the faith to believe.
 - Salvation is entirely God's work (Philippians 1:6).
- We are to have the same struggle that we see in Paul (Philippians 1:30).
 - Fighting the proper fight (2 Timothy 4:7).
 - Lay hold of eternal life (1 Timothy 6:12).
 - Run the race set before us (Hebrews 12:1).

We are to Have the Same Frame of Mind (Philippians 2:1–4)

- Since there is some encouragement in Christ (Philippians 2:1)
 - The encouragement we receive from the Scriptures regarding our hope (Romans 15:4).
 - Those who have the Spiritual give of encouragement for the edification of the saints (Romans 12:8).
- Since there is some comfort in Christ (Philippians 2:1).
 - Conform conveys the meaning of gentle cheering, consolation, or comforting the heart.
 - This type of comfort flows from the love for other saints.
- Since there is some fellowship in Spirit in Christ (Philippians 2:1).
 - Fellowship is sharing in common.
 - Fellowship can be sharing physical goods (Romans 15:26).
 - We have fellowship in the body and blood of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:16).
 - We have fellowship from the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:14).
 - Walking by the Spirit (Galatians 5:16).
 - Taking each step by the Spirit (Galatians 5:25).
 - Our fellowship in the gospel (Philippians 1:5).
 - When we fellowship with God, we love the brethren while having victory over our sin nature (1 John 1:6–7).
- Since there is some affection and compassion in Christ (Philippians 2:1).
 - Affection comes from the concept of feeling from the bowels or heart. It is a tender affection towards others.
 - The affection we have for the saints (2 Corinthians 7:15).
 - As the elect of God, we are to cloth ourselves with affection for the saints (Colossians 3:12).
 - When a man shuts up his affections for the saints, he is not loving God (1 John 3:17).
 - Compassion means to have pity on someone.
 - Compassion conveys a deep concern over another's misfortune.
 - By the compassions of God we are able to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1).

- God show us compassion and comfort, even in our tribulations (2 Corinthians 1:3).
- As the elect of God, we are to be clothed with compassion for the saints (Colossians 3:12).
- We are to have the same frame of mind, having the same love, together souled, and of one frame of mind (Philippians 2:2).
 - The frame of mind relates to the boundaries we place around our minds.
 - These boundaries are to align with God's word.
 - Our frame of mind impacts our actions (Romans 14:6).
 - We are not to set our minds on high things, but associate with the humble (Romans 12:16).
 - Our mind is to be framed on the things in heaven (Colossians 3:1–3).
 - False teachers seek to set the mind on earthly things (Philippians 3:19).
 - When we frame our mind on the flesh, we produce the works of the flesh (Romans 8:5).
 - When our mind is framed on the things of the Spirit, we walk by the Spirit (Romans 8:5).
 - Together souled—having the same emotional attachments.
 - Maintaining the same frame of mind together—same purpose, same goal.
- Nothing is to be done out for selfish ambition (Philippians 2:3).
 - Selfish ambition is a work of the flesh (Galatians 5:20).
 - Those who are selfish will lie against the truth (James 3:14).
 - Where selfish ambition is, confusion and every fallow thing abides (James 3:16).
- Esteeming others as better than ourselves as we maintain a humble mind (Philippians 2:3).
 - Esteem comes from the root concept of leading, or guiding.
 - When we esteem others, we are giving regard to them.
 - When we admonish a fellow saint, we are not to esteem them as an enemy (2 Thessalonians 3:15).
 - Esteeming it just to always stir each other up to continue in the faith (2 Peter 1:13).
- Scoping out the things of others, not our own (Philippians 2:4).
 - Paying close attention.