

- Do good (beneficial) in every part of your manner of living (1 Peter 2:15–16).
- Suffer in some circumstances for your consistent testimony (1 Peter 3:17; 4:19).
- Live the remaining time in the will of God and not to the flesh. (1 Peter 4:2).
- We are to Act in a Mature Way (Ephesians 1:5).

Philippians

Following Christ's Example

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

- Together souled—having the same emotional attachments (Philippians 2:2).
 - 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.
 - 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).

Following Christ's Examine Concerning the Frame of Mind (Philippians 2:5-11)

- Our frame of mind is to be the same frame of mind in Christ (Philippians 2:5).
 - The framing of the mind relates to your opinion of yourself, and your boundaries placed on who you are.
- Christ Existed in the Form of God but did not consider equality with God to be something He seized (Philippians 2:6).
 - Christ's outward manifestation was of Deity.
 - He is God in the flesh (John 1:1, 14).
 - God Shares His Glory with No One (Isaiah 42:8; 48:11).
 - Christ did not seize this glory because it belonged to Him.
- God the Son made Himself of no reputation (Philippians 2:7).
 - He emptied Himself of His outward form of Deity.
- God the Son then received the form of a servant (Philippians 2:7).
 - He came to be in the likeness of a man.
 - He was born of a virgin (Luke 1:35).
 - He was without sin (Hebrews 4:15).
- God the Son masked Himself to appear as a man (Philippians 2:8).
 - He humbled Himself.
 - He did not consider who He was to be of such value that taking on the form of a servant was unworthy of who He is.
 - He was not high minded about Himself.
 - He became like His brethren so that He could serve as a faithful High Priest (Hebrews 2:17).
 - He humbled Himself even to death.
 - To death on a cross.
 - Christ had to die to enter into His glory (Luke 24:26).
 - As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so the Son of man had to be lifted up (John 3:14).
 - By being lifted up unto death, Christ draws people from all the earth to Him (John 12:32).
- God the Father responded to Christ's frame of mind by highly exalting Him (Philippians 2:9).
 - As Christ did, we are to also do. Let God lift us into position of authority and glory (James 4:10).
 - We humble ourselves; God lifts us up (1 Peter 5:6).

- This type of attitude eliminates selfish ambition (Philippians 2:3).
- Every knee will bow at the name God gave the Jesus (Philippians 2:10).
 - This name has not yet been proclaimed.
 - When it is proclaimed, every tongue will agree with God that Jesus is Lord (Philippians 2:10–11)

Working Out Our Salvation (Philippians 2:12–14)

- We are to work out our salvation through obedience (Philippians 2:12).
 - Not an attempt to obtain or maintain salvation through works.
 - Salvation is not given based upon a person's desires or abilities (Romans 9:16).
 - Salvation is based upon God's mercy (Titus 3:4–5).
 - We are working out salvation with fear and trembling.
- God enables us to do His will (Philippians 2:13).
 - Present Our Bodies a Living Sacrifice (Romans 12:1).
 - Christ purchased us with His blood (Acts 20:28).
 - This is our reasonable religious service.
 - Be Transformed by Your Renewed Mind So that You Can Know What is Approvable to God (Romans 12:2).
 - Use Our Spiritual Gift for the edification of the Church (1 Corinthians 12:18).
 - Give Ourselves to The Lord and to Other Believers (2 Corinthians 8:5).
 - Love does not behave unbecoming (1 Corinthians 13:4–5).
 - Our speech is important (Ephesians 4:29–32).
 - Serve the Lord, even using our emotions (Ephesians 6:5–7).
 - Be set apart (sanctified) and abstain from fornication (1 Thessalonians 4:3–5).
 - Be thankful for and in everything (1 Thessalonians 5:18).
 - Experientially know the riches of the glory of the indwelling Christ (Colossians 1:27).
 - Ask for yourself according to His will (1 John 5:14–15).