

Lesson 9
Philippians
Having the Mind of Christ

Read Philippians to answer the following:

1. What did Paul understand about the Christian life? (Philippians 1:21) _____

2. What did Paul mean by Philippians 1:22-26? _____

3. What did Paul encourage them to do? (Philippians 1:27) _____

4. What did Paul teach them to do? (Philippians 2:2) _____
_____ How could they do that?
(Philippians 2:3-4) _____
5. Write Philippians 2:5: _____
How was Jesus an example of thinking of others first? (Philippians 2:6-11) _____

6. After remembering what Jesus did, what are Christians to remember? (Philippians 2:13) _____
_____ Christians are to obey God.
7. Write Philippians 2:14: _____
Why are we to obey this verse? (Philippians 2:15-16) _____

8. What did Paul call them to do? (Philippians 4:1) _____
9. What are Christians to think on? (Philippians 4:8) _____

Answers:

1. Paul taught that instead of choosing what one wants to do with their life, a Christian is to choose to live a life for Jesus;

2. Although he was ready to go home to heaven Paul was willing to live for Christ – for he understood that each person that became a Christian (or continued to grow becoming more Christ-like by his testimony), was important – for other Christians needed the encouragement of the example of his life as he continually chose to live a life pleasing to God;

3. Paul encouraged them to live a life so that if anyone sees or hears what they have done, it becomes the Gospel of Christ and does not bring reproach to the name of Christ.

4. Paul taught the importance of having a mind like Christ; They could do this if they thought of others before themselves;

5. “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus”; Jesus laid down His glory to become in the likeness of man, humbling himself to the death upon the cross for the sins of all mankind, providing the only way of salvation for anyone who would “confess that Jesus Christ is Lord”;

6. “For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure”;

7. “Do all things without murmurings and disputings”; We are to remember that Christians within the church are the only “Jesus” the lost world will ever see (and we are to shine as lights in the world);

8. Paul called for them to “stand fast in the Lord”;

9. “Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things”