

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Philippians 2:1-16 *What is He Thinking?*

Chapter One:

- Confidence
- Oneness w/o offense
- By Christ's standards
- As examples of His love
(In the body & out)

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2:1-5, "Therefore"... Because of, as a result of... **Ch.**

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"If there is any..."

- Consolation,
- Comfort of love,
- Fellowship of the Spirit,
- Affection and mercy... **in Christ"**

"Being like-minded,

- Having the **same** love,
- Of **one** accord,
- Of **one** mind."
- (Why does he repeat our mind?)

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**"Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or
conceit,**

- In **lowliness of mind/humility**
- Esteem/**value others** better/**more important** than yourself.
- Look out **not only** for his own interests,
- Also for **the interests of others."**

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**"Let this mind* be in you which was also in Christ
Jesus"**

- ***Toward one another** (NIV & NET)
- **Let** – allow, permit

- Are we willing to allow Christ's mind to **inhabit ours?**
- Will we give Him **NO KNOCK** access to our mind?

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This is not about **agreeing** with Him!

- Do we **choose** to surrender & submit **our** mind to His?

**Romans 12:2, "Be transformed by the renewing of
your mind..."**

that you may prove what is that good and
acceptable and perfect will of God."

**Philippians 3:15, "Therefore let us, as many as
are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you
think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you."**

**(1:27) "Only let your conduct be worthy of the
gospel of Christ"**

- Our **conduct follows our thinking**

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**Vs. 6-8, "Who, being in very nature God... He
emptied Himself... made Himself a bondservant... in
the likeness of men. He humbled Himself
and became obedient... to the death of the cross."**

- **Humility & Obedience are voluntary!**
- **His mind** chooses them. Do we?

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**Vs. 9-11, "Therefore God has given Him the name
which is above every name,**

- That **at the name of Jesus** every knee
should bow,

- Of those **in heaven**, and of those **on earth**,
and of those **under the earth**,
- And that **every tongue** should confess that
Jesus Christ is Lord,
- **To the glory of God the Father.**"

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We bear His name.

- Do we **embrace His mind & live like it?**
- **With who?**

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1:1, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in...
our city

- We don't live in Philippi... **We live here**
- His mind is for the **whole church** in the
whole city

I can think of no greater application than us, **PCF & CFGH**

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Vs. 12-13, "Therefore, my beloved, as you have
always obeyed,

- **Work out** your own salvation with fear and
trembling"

James 1:22 & 2:14-26

- Faith without **demonstration** is of no value
– a deception

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"For it is God who works in you... (1:6)

- Both **to will and to do**" (Mind & Body)
- **For His good pleasure.**"
(We live **to please Him** – Together)

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Vs. 14-16, "Do all things without complaining
and disputing... (1:10)

- That you may **become blameless**
and harmless,
- **Children of God** without fault (**Matt. 5:3-16**)
- In the midst of **a crooked and perverse**
generation,
- Among whom **you shine as lights** in the
world,
- **Holding fast the word of life**"