

Let Me Have a Piece of Your Mind

- I. The Proper Perspective: What are you FOCUSING on? (Chapter 1)
- II. The Proper Philosophy: Who are you THINKING about (Chapter 2)

A. The Perfect Example: How can we be of "one mind"

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus (2:5)

1. You have to think like or have the same attitude of Jesus Christ
 - James 1:5- If YOU lack wisdom, ask of GOD
 - Jeremiah 9:23- Do not boast in your wisdom...but boast that you know HIM

B. Who is Jesus Christ, what makes Him a good example?

1. His Background

WHO, being in the form of God (2:6a)

- What does "form" mean?
- Theologically: Jesus Christ is eternal- He had no _____ and no _____
- Theologically: Jesus Christ is Deity- meaning He is _____
- Practically: What does this mean?

2. How He thought

Did not consider it robbery to be equal with God (2:6b)

Do you know what I have done to YOU? Blessed are you if you DO them... (John 13)

C. What did He do?

1. He Emptied Himself

Made Himself of no reputation (2:7a)

- Theologically: Condescension- means to _____ from a position of rank or dignity, or to come to equal terms with an inferior...
- Theologically: Kenosis-Empty oneself

i. Taking the form of a bondservant (2:7b)

What was the duty of a bondservant?

ii. Coming in the likeness of men (2:7c)

iii. Being found in appearance as a man (2:8a)

- Theologically: Incarnation- God becoming incarnate, or literally _____ flesh

2. He Humbled Himself (2:8b)

i. Became Obedient (2:8c)

*What is the significance of Who Jesus is and What He did?