

Incredibly Practical Theology, pt.1

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Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,



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Phroneo – “to think”

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There are few things that have a more practical impact on your daily walk than to think like Jesus.

Christian Motivation

“Therefore, if there is encouragement in Christ, if there is consolation in love, if there is fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion...”



Christian Motivation

For Christians, unity is not a suggestion, but a command.



Christian Motivation

“Therefore, BECAUSE there is encouragement in Christ, BECAUSE there is consolation in love, BECAUSE there is fellowship of the Spirit, BECAUSE [of] affection and compassion...”



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“For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.”

2 Cor. 5:14-15



Christian Motivations

Christian Methodology

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Christian Methodology

“Humility of mind”

“In Scripture, this is an inside-out virtue produced by comparing oneself to the Lord rather than others. For the believer, this means living in complete dependence on the Lord with no reliance on self.”

- Strong's Concordance



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Have this attitude in yourselves, which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.



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Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,



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So that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



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To Paul, unity was always found through self- restraint / denial.



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Romans 14:15

For if because of food your brother is hurt, you are no longer walking according to love. Do not destroy with your food him for whom Christ died.



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Romans 15:1-3

Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. Each of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to his edification. For even Christ did not please Himself...



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1 Corinthians 9:12, 19

If others share the right over you, do we not more?
Nevertheless, we did not use this right, but we endure all things so that we will cause no hindrance to the gospel of Christ.... For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I may win more.



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Philemon 8-9

“Therefore, though I have enough confidence in Christ to order you to do what is proper, yet for love’s sake I rather appeal to you—since I am [...] a prisoner of Christ Jesus...”



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Galatians 5:13-15

For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”



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“The three most important of Christian virtues are first, humility; second, humility; third, humility.”

- Augustine



Christian Mindset



Conclusion

- Pray – Make yourself known to God
- Read – God making himself known to you
- Remain – Abide in Christ and in the church
- Seek Feedback from Others



Conclusion

“In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty;
in all things, charity”



Concluding Encouragement



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