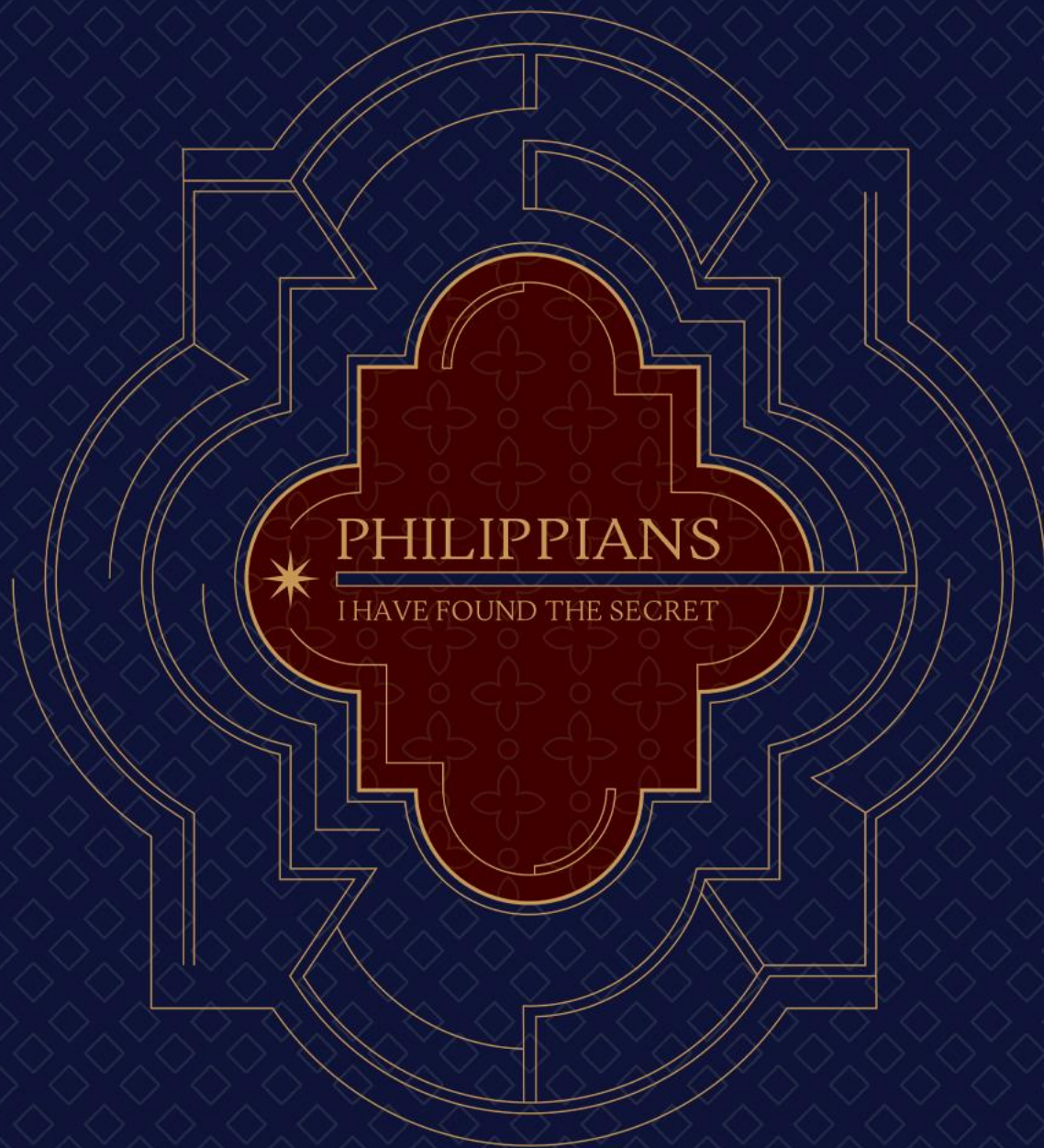




The Mind of Christ

Philippians 2:1-11

Philippians 2:1-11

(Page 980)



Christians, be united.



Christians, be united.

If there is...

1. Any encouragement in Christ
2. Any comfort from love
3. Any participation in the Spirit
4. Any affection and sympathy



Philippians 2:1-2

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.



Complete Joy

1 John 1:4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

2 John 12 Though I have much to write to you, I would rather not use paper and ink. Instead I hope to come to you and talk face to face, so that our joy may be complete.

3 John 4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.



Christians, be united.

1. Being of the same mind
2. Having the same love
3. Being in full accord
4. Being of one mind



Philippians 2:1-11

(Page 980)



John 3:29-30

“The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. He must increase, but I must decrease.”



Philippians 2:5-11
“The Hymn of Christ”
(Page 980)



Chiasm

A literary device where words or ideas are presented and then repeated in reverse order, creating a “mirrored” effect (ABBA).

When the going gets tough, the tough get going.

A: When the going

B: gets tough

B: the tough

A: get going



The Chiasm of Philippians 2:5-11

A: was in the form of God

B: by taking the form of a servant

C: he humbled himself to death

D: even death on a cross

C: God has highly exalted him

B: at the name of Jesus every knee should bow

A: confess that Jesus Christ is Lord



The Incarnation

“the form of God” – the true and exact nature of God



The Incarnation

“the form of God” – the true and exact nature of God

“a thing to be grasped” - a thing to be held on to for advantage



The Incarnation

“the form of God” – the true and exact nature of God

“a thing to be grasped” - a thing to be held on to for advantage

“emptied himself” – divested himself of the use of some qualities that belong to his nature



The Incarnation

“the form of God” – the true and exact nature of God

“a thing to be grasped” - a thing to be held on to for advantage

“emptied himself” – divested himself of the use of some qualities that belong to his nature

“taking the form of a servant / human likeness / human form” – fully taking the nature of a human



The Chiasm of Philippians 2:5-11

A: was in the form of God

B: by taking the form of a servant

C: he humbled himself to death

D: even death on a cross

C: God has highly exalted him

B: at the name of Jesus every knee should bow

A: confess that Jesus Christ is Lord



Philippians 2:5

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus...

