

The Mind of Christ

What is it and how do we get it?

*"For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? **But we have the mind of Christ.**" - 1 Corinthians 2:16 KJV*

Greetings, I'm Dr. Paul Felter. Welcome to my video podcast, where I expose church fallacies and flawed Christian tradition with Bible truth. I let the Bible speak for itself. I want to thank all my supporters for your prayers and support. May the Lord richly bless you in all that you do.

Before I begin, I want to mention the two most prevalent worldviews, the Secular, and the Biblical worldview.

People outside the church, the body of Christ, have a worldly or humanistic mindset and a secular worldview. They are governed by the flawed ethics, dubious integrity, and depraved morality of this present evil world, and are motivated by their selfish desires, egotistical ambitions, and purely personal goals. Today, that would also include spineless philosophies like political correctness and being woke. However, mature Christians have a Biblical mindset and worldview. We view the world through the lens of scripture, giving us a godly perspective, or as the Apostle Paul calls it, the mind of Christ. Sadly, many in the church struggle to overcome the secular worldview. They are caught in a tug of war between the things of God and the things of this world. Paul refers to these believers as carnal, babes in Christ (1st Corinthians 3:1). The point I'm trying to make here is that the secular worldview and the Biblical worldview will never harmonize, they will always be at odds. People with the secular worldview think Christians are crazy. But we Christians know that the lost have no other option but a secular worldview. They tightly cling to the things of this world as that is all they have. They are without God and aliens to the mind of Christ, having no hope, blinded by Satan to their eternal fate. They will never acquire a Biblical worldview until they are saved and taught by the Holy Spirit and the word of God. So don't be surprised when those of the world revile and persecute you for your faith. This persecution can come from family, friends, or even members of your own church. The persecution of godly people has been going on since Cain slew his brother Able (Genesis 4:8) and continues today in many countries throughout the world. So, don't be shocked when it happens to you. Persecution will follow those that live godly, as Paul writes:

*2 Timothy 3:12 KJV - "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus **shall suffer persecution.**"*

Also, in this presentation I've included many scripture passages. I want you to see God's opinion on the subject. My words and explanations might be helpful, but God's word is alive, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword (Hebrews 4:12). It's God's opinion that truly matters, not the opinions of men.

In this study I will cover the following topics:

1. Pride
2. The Flesh
3. Moving toward the “mind of Christ”
4. Attributes of the “mind of Christ”
5. Benefits of the “mind of Christ”

Let’s begin our study by examining some hindrances to having the mind of Christ.

1. Pride

Arrogance and Hubris: a negative character trait associated with arrogance, self-centeredness, and a sense of superiority over others. The proud often look down upon others, considering themselves as inherently better or more deserving than others. Pride can also lead to a lack of empathy and compassion towards others.

Self-Centeredness: an excessive focus on oneself, one's achievements, and one's desires, often at the expense of others. It may lead to selfish behavior and a disregard for the needs and feelings of others.

Refusal to Acknowledge Faults or Weaknesses: an unwillingness to admit mistakes, acknowledge shortcomings, or seek help when needed. Instead, individuals driven by pride try to maintain a facade of perfection or invulnerability, fearing that acknowledging their flaws would undermine their sense of superiority.

Desire for Recognition and Admiration: a strong desire for recognition, admiration, and validation from others. This desire for external validation can become all-consuming, leading individuals to prioritize their reputation and status above genuine connections with others or adherence to moral principles.

Resistance to Authority or Correction: a rebellious attitude towards authority figures or teachings that challenge one's sense of self-importance. Individuals driven by pride may reject feedback or criticism, viewing it as an attack on their ego rather than an opportunity for growth and self-improvement.

Comparative Pride: comparing oneself favorably to others, whether in terms of wealth, status, accomplishments, or moral virtue. Comparative pride can breed resentment towards those perceived as rivals or threats to one's sense of superiority.

The prophet Daniel wrote the following of Belshazzar, King of Babylon:

*"But when his heart was lifted up, and **his mind hardened in pride**, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:" - Daniel 5:20 KJV*

Belshazzar, Nebuchadnezzar's grandson, failed to humble himself before God. Instead, he allowed his heart to be filled with pride, which led to his downfall. Because of his pride, resulting in disobedience, Belshazzar was deposed from his throne, and his kingdom was taken from him by God and given to the Medes and Persians as recorded in Daniel chapter 5.

The apostle Paul writing to the believers at Rome:

*"Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. **Be not wise in your own conceits (pride, vanities, arrogance).**" - Romans 12:16 KJV (parenthesis mine)*

Pride, arrogance, smugness, conceit, self-importance, ego, and vanity are hindrances to having the mind of Christ. These negative attributes make oneself the focus of life. Their thoughts, actions and interactions are exclusively self-serving. They do not seek God, but their own self-satisfaction and selfish ambitions.

King David, writing in the Psalms:

*"The wicked, **through the pride of his countenance**, will not seek after God: **God is not in all his thoughts**" - Psalm 10:4 KJV*

David describes the behavior of the wicked, the ungodly. The phrase "through the pride of his countenance" refers to the arrogant and haughty demeanor of a wicked, prideful person. They are characterized by an attitude of self-importance and superiority, leading them to disregard the ways of God thereby refusing to seek Him.

God is not in the thoughts of the wicked. The wicked person does not consider God or His ways in their actions, decisions, or plans. Their pride and arrogance blind them to the reality of God's existence and authority, leading them to live as if God does not matter or exist.

King Solomon writing in Proverbs:

*"**Pride goeth before destruction**, and an **haughty spirit** before a fall." - Proverbs 16:18 KJV*

To the proud, God is not one for worship, but for manipulation and pretense existing solely for their benefit and use.

*"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: **pride, and arrogancy**, and the **evil way**, and the **froward mouth, do I hate.**" - Proverbs 8:13 KJV*

"Froward": perverse or contrary, willfully disobedient, obstinate, or difficult to deal with. Individuals who stubbornly resist guidance or instruction, who go against what is right or proper, or who behave in a manner that is contrary to God's commands. Froward conveys a sense of moral rebelliousness and a refusal to submit to authority or follow the path of righteousness.

God hates the proud! They will never have the mind of Christ!

2. The Flesh (the carnal mind and the law of sin)

Human Nature Under Sin: "The flesh" is often used to describe the fallen, sinful nature of humanity. It represents human desires, inclinations, and tendencies that are contrary to God's will. This interpretation is evident in passages such as Romans 8:5-8 (KJV), where Paul contrasts the desires of the flesh with those of the Spirit:

*"For **they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh**; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For **to be carnally minded is death**; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because **the carnal mind is enmity against God**; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then **they that are in the flesh cannot please God**." - Romans 8:5-8 KJV*

Notice the progression in the passage:

- they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh.
- to be carnally minded is death.
- the carnal mind is enmity against God (hostile, antagonistic).
- they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Worldly or Carnal Mindset: Beyond the physical body, "the flesh" refers to a mindset or orientation that is focused on worldly desires, pleasures, and pursuits, rather than on spiritual matters. This usage highlights the contrast between living according to the desires of the flesh, a carnal mindset, and living according to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, a Biblical mindset. For instance, in Romans 8:13 (KJV), Paul admonishes believers to "mortify the deeds of the body" (the flesh), indicating the need to overcome sinful inclinations and live in obedience to God:

*"For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall **die**; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall **live**." - Romans 8:13 KJV*

Here are several additional verses addressing the "flesh":

*"But I see another law in my members (flesh), warring against the law of my mind, and **bringing me into captivity to the law of sin** which is in my members (flesh)." - Romans 7:23 KJV parenthesis mine*

*"I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the **law of God**; but with the flesh the **law of sin**." - Romans 7:25 KJV*

*"This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, **in the vanity of their mind**," - Ephesians 4:17 KJV*

*"Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, **who mind earthly things.**") - Philippians 3:19 KJV*

Living according to "the flesh" has negative consequences. The fleshly mindset is governed by the "law of sin" which centers your focus on yourself and not God. The motivation for your actions becomes the vanity of your mind, not the word of God.

Here are some of the outcomes associated with living in the flesh:

Spiritual Death: Romans 8:6 (KJV) states, "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." A mindset focused on worldly desires and pursuits (living in the flesh) leads to spiritual death or separation from God.

Enmity with God: Romans 8:7 (KJV) declares, "Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be." Those living according to the desires of the flesh have a hostile relationship towards God, being disobedient to His commands and in rebellion against His will.

Sin and Immorality: Galatians 5:19-21 (KJV) lists various works of the flesh, including adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like. These sins are contrasted with the fruit of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance. The obvious contrast highlights the immoral and sinful behavior that characterizes living in the flesh with the righteous behavior and attitude of those living in the Spirit.

Condemnation: Romans 8:1 (KJV) states, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Believers who live according to the flesh are subject to condemnation, as they are under the dominion of sin. This condemnation is a loss of reward at the judgment seat of Christ, not a loss of salvation. Salvation cannot be lost, because we are sealed by the Holy Spirit at the moment we trust in Christ for salvation.

Strife and Discord: James 4:1-2 (KJV) attributes conflicts and strife among believers to the desires of the flesh, which lead to envy, covetousness, and selfish ambitions. Fleshly Christians resist sound doctrine, wanting only their ears tickled, their egos boosted, and their self-image polished; they glory in their flesh.

Reprobate mind: For the ungodly lost, a reprobate mind could be their final mental state:

*"And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, **God gave them over to a reprobate mind**, to do those things which are not convenient (fitting, appropriate, or suitable);" - Romans 1:28 KJV parenthesis mine*

A reprobate mind persists in disobedience or unbelief where individuals have intentionally turned away from God and His truth, resulting in moral degradation and spiritual blindness. It describes

a downward spiral where people suppress the truth about God and indulge in sinful behaviors, leading to further moral decay and separation from God. A reprobate mind reflects a state of hardened and depraved thinking, resulting from persistent rejection of God's guidance and moral principles. A reprobate mind is the antithesis of the mind of Christ.

3. Moving toward the “mind of Christ”

The Process

Readiness: Paul commended the Bereans for their openness and readiness to receive the gospel message. They did not approach the gospel with skepticism or prejudice but were willing to listen and consider what Paul had to say:

*"These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all **readiness of mind**, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." - Acts 17:11 KJV*

We must have an open heart to the word of God, being willing and eager to receive God's word in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Seeking: the condition for finding God requires wholehearted pursuit; the necessity of genuine sincerity and earnestness in seeking God. Not merely a casual or half-hearted search, but an intense and sincere pursuit of God's presence and will for your life:

*"But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou **seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.**" - Deuteronomy 4:29 KJV*

*"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and **that seek him with the whole heart.**" - Psalm 119:2 KJV*

*"And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall **search for me with all your heart.**" - Jeremiah 29:13 KJV*

A cursory perusal of God's word will never produce godly wisdom and understanding.

Method: Study the word. There is no substitute for Bible study! Study with a heart that is ready, searching, and willing to receive instruction from the Lord:

*"**Study** to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing** the word of truth." - 2 Timothy 2:15 KJV*

As you study the word, the Holy Spirit will convict you of sin and reshape your thinking to align with God's word. Your thoughts and attitudes will slowly begin to mirror the scriptures. The mind of Christ is forming in you.

Renewal: comes through Bible study and prayer:

The apostle Paul writing in his epistles:

*"And be not conformed to this world: but **be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." - Romans 12:2 KJV*

*"And **be renewed in the spirit of your mind**;" - Ephesians 4:23 KJV*

*"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of **a sound mind**." - 2 Timothy 1:7 KJV*

We transform and renew our minds through the word and the power of the Holy Spirit as we seek God's truth.

4. Attributes of the "mind of Christ"

"The mind of Christ" is a concept found only in the New Testament, particularly in the writings of the apostle Paul. It refers to a mindset, attitude, and perspective that believers are encouraged to adopt, which is modeled after the thinking of Jesus Christ himself. Paul asserts that believers, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, have been given access to the mind of Christ. This means that believers can understand spiritual truths and discern God's will because they share the same mindset as Christ.

Humility: a fundamental attitude of the heart that involves reverence for God, esteem for others, rejection of pride, submission to God's will, and acknowledgment of our dependence on His grace. Humility is essential for living a virtuous and pleasing life before God. There are many passages concerning humility, here are a few:

*"**Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:** Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, **he humbled himself**, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." - Philippians 2:5-8 KJV*

*"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, **humbleness of mind**, meekness, longsuffering;" - Colossians 3:12 KJV*

Without humility we will never grow in the wisdom and understanding of the Lord. We will never experience the fullness of the mind of Christ.

Here are some additional passages emphasizing the fundamental aspect of humility in obtaining the mind of Christ:

*"**Serving the Lord with all humility of mind**, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:" - Acts 20:19 KJV*

*"But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but **giveth grace unto the humble**. ... **Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord**, and he shall lift you up." - James 4:6, 10 KJV*

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:" - 1 Peter 5:6 KJV

"LORD, thou hast **heard the desire of the humble**: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:" - Psalm 10:17 KJV

"Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud." - Proverbs 16:19 KJV

"Whosoever therefore shall **humble himself** as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven." - Matthew 18:4 KJV

"And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall **humble himself** shall be exalted." - Matthew 23:12 KJV

THE "MIND OF CHRIST" IS HUMILITY!

Love: Jesus exemplified unconditional love, compassion, and forgiveness towards all people. We are called to love one another as Christ loved us and to demonstrate this love in our interactions with others:

*"Be kindly affectioned one to another **with brotherly love**, in honour preferring one another;" - Romans 12:10 KJV*

*"Owe no man any thing, but **to love one another**: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law." - Romans 13:8 KJV*

*But the fruit of the Spirit is **love**, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith," - Galatians 5: 22 KJV*

*"But **speaking the truth in love**, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:" - Ephesians 4:15 KJV*

*"And this I pray, that **your love may abound** yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment;" - Philippians 1:9 KJV*

Love is critical for developing the mind of Christ.

Sacrificial Service: Jesus laid down His life for the salvation of humanity, demonstrating the ultimate act of sacrificial love. Believers are encouraged to follow His example by serving others and putting their needs above their own:

*"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but **by love serve one another.**" - Galatians 5:13 KJV*

*"Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: **for ye serve the Lord Christ.**" - Colossians 3:24 KJV*

Obedience to God: Jesus was obedient to the will of the Father, even to the point of death on the cross. Believers are called to obey God's commands and to align their lives with His purposes:

*"But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for **the obedience of faith:**" - Romans 16:26 KJV*

*"Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought **to the obedience of Christ,**" - 2 Corinthians 10:5 KJV*

Overall, the concept of "the mind of Christ" emphasizes the importance of aligning one's thoughts, attitudes, and actions with those of Jesus Christ. It involves cultivating humility, love, sacrificial service, obedience to God, and spiritual discernment, to live a life that honors and glorifies God.

5. Benefits of the "mind of Christ"

Having the mind of Christ offers numerous benefits to believers. Here are some of the key benefits:

Peace: inner peace and peace with God and others. Embracing the mindset of Christ brings a sense of peace and contentment, knowing that our life is aligned with God's purposes and that His presence and guidance lead and comfort us:

*"**Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:** not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." - John 14:27 KJV*

*"Be careful (anxious) for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. **And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**" - Philippians 4:6-7 KJV (parenthesis mine)*

*"Therefore being justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**" - Romans 5:1 KJV*

*"**Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace,** whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." - Isaiah 26:3 KJV*

*"And **let the peace of God rule in your hearts,** to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful." - Colossians 3:15 KJV*

These verses highlight the importance of peace in the lives of believers, both in our relationship with God and with others. They emphasize the peace that comes from God, the peace that surpasses understanding (Philippians 4:6-7), and the call to pursue peace with diligence.

Enlightenment: the concept of spiritual illumination, understanding, and transformation. It emphasizes the role of God's revelation, the Holy Spirit, and the understanding of God's Word in bringing light and wisdom to believers:

*"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you **the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened;** that ye may know what is **the hope of his calling;** and what the **riches of the glory** of his inheritance in the saints," - Ephesians 1:17-18 KJV*

Spiritual Discernment: Jesus had a deep understanding of spiritual truths and the will of God. Believers are encouraged to seek wisdom and discernment through prayer, study of Scripture, and reliance on the Holy Spirit:

*"But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, **because they are spiritually discerned.**" - 1 Corinthians 2:14 KJV*

*"But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use **have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.**" - Hebrews 5:14 KJV*

The mind of Christ enables believers to discern spiritual truths and understand God's will more clearly. This allows us to make wise decisions and navigate life in accordance with God's principles. Those lacking spiritual discernment are unable to rightly navigate this world and to properly determine right from wrong.

Freedom from Anxiety and Fear: Through the mind of Christ, believers can experience freedom from anxiety and fear, knowing that they are deeply loved by God and that He is in control of all circumstances:

*"**Casting all your care upon him;** for he careth for you." - 1 Peter 5:7 KJV*

*"Fear thou not, for I am with thee: **be not dismayed**; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, **I will uphold thee** with the right hand of my righteousness." - Isaiah 41:10 KJV*

*"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. **Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.**" - John 14:27 KJV*

*"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of **power**, and of **love**, and of a **sound mind**." - 2 Timothy 1:7 KJV*

*"The Lord is my light and my salvation; **whom shall I fear?** the Lord is the strength of my life; **of whom shall I be afraid?**" - Psalm 27:1 KJV*

Unity and Harmony: Adopting the mindset of Christ fosters unity and harmony within the body of believers. It promotes a spirit of mutual respect, love, and understanding, leading to stronger relationships and a more effective witness to the world:

*"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to **dwelt together in unity!**" - Psalm 133:1 KJV*

*"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that **ye all speak the same thing**; and that there be **no divisions among you**; but that ye be **perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.**" - 1 Corinthians 1:10 KJV*

*"Endeavouring to **keep the unity of the Spirit** in the bond of peace." - Ephesians 4:3 KJV*

*"Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, **being of one accord, of one mind**. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." - Philippians 2:2-3 KJV*

*"Finally, **be ye all of one mind**, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous." - 1 Peter 3:8 KJV*

Strength and Endurance: The mind of Christ provides believers with strength and endurance to face trials and challenges with confidence and perseverance. We can trust in God's promises and rely on His power to sustain us through difficult times:

*"But they that wait upon the Lord shall **renew their strength**; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and **not be weary**; and they shall walk, and **not faint.**" - Isaiah 40:31 KJV*

*"It is God that **girdeth me with strength**, and maketh my way perfect." - Psalm 18:32 KJV*

*"I can do all things through Christ which **strengtheneth me.**" - Philippians 4:13 KJV*

*"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for **my strength is made perfect in weakness**. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for **when I am weak, then am I strong**." - 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 KJV*

*"Finally, my brethren, **be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might**." - Ephesians 6:10 KJV*

Growth in Holiness: Having the mind of Christ leads to spiritual growth and maturity as we become more conformed to His image. We strive to live holy and righteous lives, reflecting Christ's character in our thoughts, words, and actions:

*"But **grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ**. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen." - 2 Peter 3:18 KJV*

*"But speaking the truth in love, may **grow up into him in all things**, which is the head, even Christ." - Ephesians 4:15 KJV*

*"That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and **increasing in the knowledge of God**." - Colossians 1:10 KJV*

*"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, **Be ye holy; for I am holy**." - 1 Peter 1:15-16 KJV*

*"And this I pray, that your love may abound yet **more and more in knowledge and in all judgment**; That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ." - Philippians 1:9-10 KJV*

*"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, **perfecting holiness in the fear of God**." - 2 Corinthians 7:1 KJV*

Eternal Reward: Ultimately, embracing the mindset of Christ leads to the promise of eternal reward. Believers who faithfully follow Christ and embody His mindset will receive blessings and rewards in the kingdom of heaven:

*"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for **great is your reward in heaven**: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." - Matthew 5:12 KJV*

*"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the **things which God hath prepared for them that love him**." - 1 Corinthians 2:9 KJV*

*"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord **ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance**: for ye serve the Lord Christ." - Colossians 3:23-24 KJV*

*"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But **lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven**, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." - Matthew 6:19-20 KJV*

*"If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, **he shall receive a reward**. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire." - 1 Corinthians 3:14-15 KJV*

Overall, having the mind of Christ brings transformation, blessing, and abundant spiritual life to believers as we seek to live in alignment with God's will and purposes. It enables us to experience the fullness of life that Christ offers and to fulfill our calling as His disciples. May the Lord richly bless you on your journey.

*"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ**." - Ephesians 1:3 KJV*

God Bless!

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