

Fresh Relationships

Fresh Start #2 - Pastor Gary Combs - January 17, 2016 - Philippians 2:1-5

Philippians 2:1-5 (ESV) ¹So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus.

How to Experience the Joy of Right Relationships:

1. _____ with the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:16 (NLT) For, "Who can know the Lord's thoughts? Who knows enough to teach him?" But we understand these things, for we have the mind of Christ.

Romans 12:2 (NLT) Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

2. _____ with the heart of Christ.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (ESV) Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

John 15:12-13 (ESV) [Jesus Speaking] "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."

3. _____ with the spirit of Christ.

Philippians 2:5-7 (NIV84) Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

Matthew 20:28 (ESV) Even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.