

## Putting Philipppians to Work!

Text: Philipppians

Proposition: We must put Philipppians to work! How?

I. Surrender your mind to the Lord each day. Rom. 12:1,2

II. Let the Holy Spirit renew your mind through the Word of God.  
(Daily systematic reading of the Word is a must.)  
Why are you not doing what you know God wants you to do?

III. As you pray each day ask God to give you:

A. A Single Mind – Chapter One

1. Regular prayer (vv.9-11)
2. To live is Christ (v.21)

B. A Submissive Mind – Chapter Two

1. Esteem others better than yourself (v.3)  
(It's not what you think, but how you think.)
2. Have the mind of Christ (vv. 5-11)

The submissive mind is not the product of an hour's sermon or a week's seminar, or even a year's service. The Submissive Mind grows in us as we yield to the Lord and seek to serve others.

C. A Spiritual Mind – Chapter Three

1. The Spiritual Mind looks at things from heaven's point of view. (v.20)
2. Cling to the values of the Spiritual Mind. (vv.1-11; 8-11)

Handley Moule – "Pitch your tent between the cross and the empty grave of our Lord."

Warren Wiersbe

3:1-11

Paul's Past  
The Accountant  
"I count..."

New Values

3:12-16

Paul's Present  
The Athlete  
"I press..."

New Vigor

3:17-21

Paul's Future  
The Alien  
"I look..."

New Vision

D. A Secure Mind – Chapter Four

IV. As you go through each day ask God to help you keep your mind secure – Chapter Four

A. Mind your mind. (vv.2-7)

If you find yourself losing your inner peace and joy, stop, and take inventory.

B. Guard the gates of your mind. (vv.8,9)

1. Pay attention to what you think and how you think.
2. Think on these things. (4:8)  
Deal instantly with problems.

V. Remember that your joy is not meant to be a selfish thing. (4:10)

A. It is God's way of glorifying Christ.

B. It is God's way of helping others through you.

Conclusion: Philipppians deals extensively with the believer's thought life. Allow the book of Philipppians to change your thought life. Use this outline as a prayer and action guide to help you become more like Christ. "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus..."