

**I. ATTITUDE - We must get our thinking right with God**

**A. We must have the mind of Christ - Phil. 2:5; 3:13**

Paul says, "Let this mind be in you". We are to be in "sync" with Jesus in our thinking and then in our actions. This is the first place to start getting our attitude right.

**B. We must not be selfish - Phil. 2:3**

Our ability to put others first is one of the distinctions between us and animals. They operate only on instinct, while we operate on reason. It is not all about us.

**C. We must seek God's wisdom - I Cor. 3:18-19; Jer. 9:23-24**

Wisdom is worthless unless it is Godly wisdom. Really, there is no wisdom except Godly wisdom. Other thinking is just foolishness.

**D. We are to build up the church (each other) and edify it - I Cor. 14:26**

Getting our own way and always "looking out for # 1" may sound good, but it is really contrary to God's word.

**E. We know there is but one GOD - I Cor. 8:4; Jer. 10:1-8, 14**

Knowing there is only ONE God and acting like it are two different things. Even Satan knows there is only one God, he acts like he is in charge, and we let him. We need to act like it and become the followers that He intended us to be.

**II. ACTIONS - We must glorify God and not man**

**A. We must be cheerful doers - Phil 2:14-16**

Our whole life is to be a life of service to others. Jesus said that he "came to serve, not be served". When we do that cheerfully, others will see Christ in us and we will have a built in witness to them of God's love and His goodness. We will "be" the example to others that just might show them their need for Christ.

**B. We must act in God's power - Phil 4:13; 19**

To understand that we have the power of God in us and at our disposal is awesome. To think that in what ever I do I have God on my side and with His wisdom, knowledge and strength, I can do anything.

**C. We must discipline ourselves - I Cor. 9:19; 22-23, 27**

One of the biggest differences between us and the animals, is that we have the ability to discipline ourselves. Believe me that if we do not discipline ourselves and do it right, God will do it for you. Have any of you have that experience? If not, you probably will before too long.

### **III. APPEARENCE - We cannot afford to appear to sin - I Thes. 5:21-22**

A. Stay away from the traps of the world - I Pet. 2:11-12 1 Cor 15:33

1 John 2:15-16 Satan has three basic traps he will set for you;

1) Lust of the flesh; 2) Lust of the eye; 3) Pride of life. We need to stay away from anything that Satan can use against us. And he will use anything. Gen 3:1-6

B. Become a new creature - II Cor. 5:17

When we are saved by God's grace, we become new creations. That is, God put's us back the way we were supposed to be. God does create something that He never created before. We are just as we were originally created to be in His sight, perfect.

C. Be Christ-like always - Col. 4:5-6;

We are commanded to be like Jesus. Jesus told us to be like Him and as the teacher, He showed us how to do that.