

PHILIPPIANS... PART VIII

“What a pastor should expect from his congregation”

Reference: **Philippians 2:1-4**

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verse one, “*Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy,*”

verse two, “*fulfill my joy...*”

There were 6 specific things Paul expected from the Philippi congregation:

ONE... congregants should _____ to the purpose of the church

verse two cont'd, “*fulfill my joy (how) by being like-minded...*”

TWO... congregants should have a mutual _____ for _____

verse two cont'd, “*...having the same love.*”

Reference: **John 13:5**, “*By this... all will know that you are My (Jesus) disciples, if you have love for one another.*”

THREE... congregants should be _____

verse two cont'd, “*...being of one accord, (and) of one mind...*”

Reference: **John 17:11, 20-23**

FOUR... congregants should _____ together and not _____ against one another

verse three, “*Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit...*”

- Paul discouraged competition from _____
- There shouldn't be competition from a _____ attitude

FIVE... congregants should be _____

verse three cont'd, “*...but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.*”

Notice three statements Paul made to describe himself.

Reference: **I Corinthians 15:9**, “*For I am the least of the apostles...*”

Date: _____ AD

Reference: **Ephesians 3:8**, “*To me, who am less than the least of all the saints...*”

Date: _____ AD

Reference: **I Timothy 1:15**, “*...Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.*”

Date: _____ AD

SIX... congregants should have a sense of _____

verse four, “*Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*”