

PIBC Vision

Text: Romans 12:3-5

“OUR ATTITUDE OF HUMILITY AND UNITY IN SERVING THE LORD”

Mission Statement: *to passionately serve GOD and to compassionately serve others—ALL to the glory of GOD!*

- I. We must have an attitude of SURRENDER—(Romans 12:1)
- II. We must have an attitude of TRANSFORMATION—(Romans 12:2)
- III. We must have an attitude of _____—(Romans 12:3)

Paul encourages us to stop and _____! He tells how God’s wants us to _____.

Have a _____ Evaluation of _____

In this verse we see what we are “_____ to think” and what we “_____ to think.”

A. Paul warns against _____ thinking—(v. 3a)

- 1. An _____ view
- 2. A _____ view

1 Corinthians 12:7 But the manifestation of the **Spirit** is given to every man to profit withal.

God has given gifts to every believer to be used for the common good of the body of Christ. They are to be used and used properly.

Romans 12:16 *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.*

Cf. 1 Corinthians 1:27

Proverbs 16:5 Every one *that is* proud in heart *is* an abomination to the **LORD**:...

James 4:6 But **He** giveth more grace. Wherefore **He** saith, **God** resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

B. Paul calls for _____ thinking—(v. 3b)

Donald Grey Barnhouse in his commentary on Romans – “Think meek! Meekness is a vertical virtue, measuring self against God at every moment. It has nothing to do with the horizontal virtue that measures a man by other men.”

Cf. Romans 3:23 & Ephesians 2:8-9

To “*think soberly*” carries the idea of having _____ thoughts that are discerning.

A proper evaluation will only come “*by the _____ of your mind*” (Rom 12:2).

_____ thinking produces **RIGHT** living

It is good to remember that what we are thinking of today we are becoming tomorrow.

Cf. 2 Corinthians 4:7 & James 1:17

1 Corinthians 4:7 For who maketh thee to differ *from another?* and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive *it*, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received *it?*

To “*think soberly*” is to think upon truth. Prideful thinking results in the façade of our own _____.

2 Corinthians 3:5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency *is* of **God**;

IV. We must have an attitude of _____—(Romans 12:4-5)

Humility breeds the proper unity.

Proverbs 13:10 Only by pride cometh contention:...

A. Just like in our _____ Body —(v. 4)

B. So to in our _____ Body —(v. 5)

The local church is a body that is designed to work together. God has placed within each local church the necessary members to do the necessary work of the ministry.

Cf. 1 Peter 2:5 & 9

Nothing that God has placed as part of our bodies are worthless, unnecessary or insignificant. The same holds true for the local body of Christ.

Cf. Psalm 139:14-18 &

1 John 4:10 Herein is love, not that we loved **God**, but that **He** loved us, and sent **His Son** *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

Q: What is my God-given role in this body of the PIBC family?

What is my next step?