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Bible Study

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“Your Attitude Makes the Difference”
Philippians 2:5

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:” (KJV)

I. Mindsets That Can Lead to Betterment

Listed below are attitudes that can help society be a better place.

1. _____ - Being a team player.

Nehemiah 4:6

“So we built the wall, and the entire wall was joined together up to half its height, for the people had a mind to work.” (NKJV)

2. _____ - Exhibiting a demeanor of optimism.

Philippians 4:8

“Brothers and sisters, think about the things that are good and worthy of praise. Think about the things that are true and honorable and right and pure and beautiful and respected.” (NCV)

3. _____ - Displaying initiative and readiness of effort.

Ruth 2:2

“And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, “Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favor.” Naomi said to her, “Go ahead, my daughter.” (NIV)

4. _____ - Willing to consider and accept new ideas.

John 4:45

“When Jesus arrived in Galilee, the people there welcomed him. They had seen all the things he did at the Passover Feast in Jerusalem, because they had been there, too.” (NCV)

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5. _____ - Providing assistance and encouragement to others.

2 Samuel 3:19

“Abner also spoke with the men of Benjamin. Then he went to Hebron to tell David that all the people of Israel and Benjamin had agreed to support him.” (NLT)

II. Mindsets That Can Lead to Resentment

Listed below are attitudes that can prevent society from being a better place.

1. _____ - Modeling a spirit of fighting and arguing.

Acts 13:44-45, 50-51

“The following week almost the entire city turned out to hear them preach the word of the Lord. 45) But when some of the Jews saw the crowds, they were jealous; so they slandered Paul and argued against whatever he said. 50) Then the Jews stirred up the influential religious women and the leaders of the city, and they incited a mob against Paul and Barnabas and ran them out of town. 51) So they shook the dust from their feet as a sign of rejection and went to the town of Iconium.” (NLT)

2. _____ - Possessing a deep desire to outdo others for selfish reasons.

Luke 22:21-24

“But here at this table, sitting among us as a friend, is the man who will betray me. 22) For it has been determined that the Son of Man must die. But what sorrow awaits the one who betrays him.” 23) The disciples began to ask each other which of them would ever do such a thing. 24) Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them.” (NLT)

3. _____ - Causing great harm and damage.

Luke 9:52-54

“He sent messengers ahead to a Samaritan village to prepare for his arrival. 53) But the people of the village did not welcome Jesus because he was on his way to Jerusalem. 54) When James and John saw this, they said to Jesus, “Lord, should we call down fire from heaven to burn them up?” (NLT)

4. _____ - Showcasing a disposition of pessimism.

Numbers 13:30-33

“But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!” 31) But the other men who had explored the land with him disagreed. “We can’t go up against them! They are stronger than we are!” 32) So they spread this bad report about the land among the Israelites: “The land we traveled through and explored will devour anyone who goes to live there. All the people we saw were huge. 33) We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that’s what they thought, too!” (NLT)

5. _____ - Showing a strong passion for revenge.

Matthew 26:14-16

“Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, 15) And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. 16) And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.” (KJV)

III. Mindsets That Can Lead to Arguments

Listed below are attitudes that can hinder healthy interaction with people.

1. _____ mindsets can hinder healthy interaction with people.

Psalms 53:1

“Only fools say in their hearts, There is no God. They are corrupt, and their actions are evil; not one of them does good!” (NLT)

2. _____ mindsets can hinder healthy interaction with people.

Ephesians 4:22

“throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception.” (NLT)

3. _____ mindsets can hinder healthy interaction with people.

Exodus 9:35

“So Pharaoh’s heart was hard and he would not let the Israelites go, just as the Lord had said through Moses.” (NIV)

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