

The "Mind" in Philippians

Note: definitions of Greek forms are taken from Strong's concordance or Friberg's Analytical Greek Lexicon.

1. *phroneo*: 1) to have understanding, be wise 2) to feel, to think 2a) to have an opinion of one's self, think of one's self, to be modest, not let one's opinion (though just) of himself exceed the bounds of modesty 2b) to think or judge what one's opinion is 2c) to be of the same mind i.e. agreed together, cherish the same views, be harmonious 3) to direct one's mind to a thing, to seek, to strive for 3a) to seek one's interest or advantage 3b) to be of one's party, side with him (in public affairs)

(Phil. 1:7 KJV) Even as it is meet for me to **think** this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace.

(Phil. 2:2 KJV) Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be **likeminded**, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.

(Phil. 2:5 KJV) Let this **mind** be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

(Phil. 3:15 KJV) Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus **minded**; and if in anything ye be otherwise **minded**, God shall reveal even this unto you.

(Phil. 3:16 KJV) Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us **mind** the same thing.

(Phil. 3:19 KJV) Whose end *is* destruction, whose God *is* *their* belly, and *whose* glory *is* in their shame, who **mind** earthly things.)

(Phil. 4:2 KJV) I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same **mind** in the Lord.

(Phil. 4:10 KJV) But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your **care** of me hath flourished again; wherein ye were also **careful**, but ye lacked opportunity.

2. *tapeinophrosune*: {tap-i-nof-ros-oo'-nay} 1) the having a humble opinion of one's self 2) a deep sense of one's (moral) littleness 3) modesty, humility, lowliness of mind

(Phil. 2:3 KJV) *Let* nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in **lowliness of mind** let each esteem other better than themselves.

3. *nous*: 1) the mind, comprising alike the faculties of perceiving and understanding and those of feeling, judging, determining 1a) the intellectual faculty, the understanding 1b) reason in the narrower sense, as the capacity for spiritual truth, the higher powers of the soul, the faculty of perceiving divine things, of recognising goodness and of hating evil 1c) the power of considering and judging soberly, calmly and impartially 2) a particular mode of thinking and judging, i.e thoughts, feelings, purposes, desires

(Phil. 4:7 KJV) And the peace of God, which passeth all **understanding** (*nous*), shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

4. *noema*: with a basic meaning *what results from directing one's mind* ($\nu\omicron\upsilon\varsigma$) to a subject; (1) as the content of thinking *thought*, (*what is in the*) *mind* (PH 4.7); (2) as the capacity for thinking *understanding*, *mind*, *reasoning power* (2C 3.14; 4.4); (3) as purposes conceived by thinking *design*, *scheme*; in a bad sense *stratagem*, *plot* (2C 2.11)

(Phil. 4:7 KJV) And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and **minds** (*noema*) through Christ Jesus.

5. *psuche*: 1) breath 1a) the breath of life 1a1) the vital force which animates the body and shows itself in breathing 1a1a) of animals 1a12) of men 1b) life 1c) that in which there is life 1c1) a living being, a living soul 2) the soul 2a) the seat of the feelings, desires, affections, aversions (our heart, soul etc.)

(Phil. 1:27 KJV) Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one **mind** striving together for the faith of the gospel;

(Phil. 2:30 KJV) Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his **life**, to supply your lack of service toward me.

6. *sumpsuchos*: 1) of one mind, of one accord

(Phil. 2:2 KJV) Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one **accord**, of one mind.