

ATTITUDE, 2 pgs

Explain an attitude you once had and how it has changed.

The Bible speaks of (1) **beliefs** (ideas taken into one's heart that govern his perception), (2) **actions** (what we do or don't do), (3) **motives** (why we do or not, what governs our actions, moves us), and (4) **attitudes** (how or in what spirit we go about doing or not doing - the disposition of our mind and heart toward God). **The manner in which we do a thing indicates our attitude or spirit at the time.**

Write a description of **Dt.14:22-15:18** focusing on attitudes.

In **Dt.27:11-13**, the tribes of are divided to pronounce blessings and curses. During the curses for disobedience, comes a remarkable judgment upon Israel's attitude. What is wrong with it? (**Dt.28:47-48**)

What is **Num.14:1-4** an account of?

Describe what **Dt.1:26-33** is about, noting the people's attitude and reasons for it.

What did Moses understand about the people's reaction to him (**Ex.17:2-3**)?

What do **Heb.3 & 4** comment on and how does it relate to us?

Compare **Dt.8:2-5, 14-17** with **1 Thes.2:2-4**.

Fill in the passage references. Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you ... but rejoice ... that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy (_____). My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials (_____). And you became followers of us and of the Lord having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit (_____). Rejoice when you are mistreated for Jesus sake (_____) as the apostles did (_____).

Everything God does and allows has a good reason and a good purpose. As we wait for the Lord and the completion of our redemption, we often do not know what we should pray for as we ought (_____), but we do know that He works all things together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose (_____).

We know for sure two things about the events and circumstances of our lives: (1) the consequences of sin and the evil that is in the world will touch us all in various ways, In the world you will have tribulation (**Jn.16:33a**); but (2), nothing has the power to separate us from the love of God which is in

Christ Jesus our Lord (Rom.8:31-39). The whole picture liberates us to place a positive construction upon the events and circumstances of our lives (ie, to construe them in a positive way in favor of God's good intent as opposed to being angry with Him and imagining that He enjoys our suffering) because *in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us, (8:37)* nevertheless *be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. (Jn.16:33b)*

What does **Phil.2:1-18** confront us with?

Comment on the following verses accordingly. **Phil.2:2-8, 12-16, 18**

Though translations may vary, there are 3 concepts we can use to hang our "how to" on: **KNOW; REMEMBER; UNDERSTAND**. The **knowledge** God gives us comes in the form of instruction and personal experience interpreted by propositional truth, revelation. It is this knowledge that we are to learn, teach, and remember. **Remembering** implies doing (obeying) and necessitates keeping the knowledge fresh in our thoughts. This knowledge is intended to mature and lead to understanding. **Understanding** means: making sense of the facts (knowledge); integrating facts so explanations and purposes are revealed – **why** is constructed from reasons, purposes, and motives; putting together what (and sometimes how) with why; making sense of the facts so we realize what they mean and how important they are. The secret of "how to" is *maintaining awareness of (remembering) my redemption in Christ by constantly living in light of it.*

A true believer is _____ in following Christ.

Further Study

KNOWING - 2 Pt.1:2-9 What does "life" in 1:3 refer to?

2 Pt.2:20

2 Pt.3:17-18

REMEMBERING - 2 Pt.1:12-18

2 Pt.3:1-2, 8

UNDERSTANDING - 2 Pt.3:16b

Lk.24:45