

Philippians 4:8

Godly Thinking In A Godless World

I. Introduction: Paul instructs Christians to think deeply about whatever is true, honorable, right, pure, lovely, and of good repute so that these things are what dominate their thoughts.

II. Godly Thinking (Phil 4:8).

A. Is True (v. 8a).

1. Christians are called to be people who live by Truth and not emotions and feelings.

B. Is Honorable (v. 8b).

1. Christians are called to be people who practice honorable conduct that brings respect to the name of Christ.

C. Is Right (v. 8c).

1. Christians are called to be people who do what is right in the sight of God rather than what is right in the sight of the world.

D. Is Pure (v. 8d).

1. Christians are called to be people who are pure and unblemished by the world.

Scripture Reading – **2 Cor 10:3-6**

E. Is Lovely (**v. 8e**).

1. Christians are called to be people who respond in love and not just react.

F. Is Of Good Repute/Admirable/Commendable (**v. 8f**).

1. Christians are called to be people who have admirable conduct that encourages and builds others up.

G. Is Excellent And Praiseworthy (**v. 8g**).

1. Christians are called to be people who filter their thoughts to discern if something is praiseworthy and excellent.

III. Conclusion: Paul exhorts Christians to practice all these things, just as he does and teaches, and the God of peace will be with them.