

insularity = reluctance to trust anyone who's different from you,
marked with selfishness and suspicion

Philippians 2:1-4

1 If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

➤ **Remember who you are (identity)**

In Christ,

- I am... **chosen** (Matthew 22:14; 1 Peter 2:4)
- I am... **called** (1 Thessalonians 5:24)
- I am... **reconciled to God** (Romans 5:10; 2 Corinthians 5:20)
- I am... **redeemed by God** (Romans 3:24; Colossians 1:14; 1 Peter 1:18)
- I am... **born again spiritually** (John 3:7; 1 Peter 1:23)
- I am... **regenerated** (John 13:10; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Titus 3:5)
- I am... **made righteous** (1 Corinthians 1:30; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 3:22; Phil 3:9)
- I am... **justified** (Acts 13:39; Romans 3:26; 5:1; 8:30; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Titus 3:7)
- I am... **adopted** (Romans 8:15, 23)
- I am... **sanctified** (1 Corinthians 1:30; 6:11)
- I am... **forgiven** (Acts 10:43; Romans 4:25; Col 1:14; 2:13; Eph 1:7, 4:32, 1 Peter 2:24)
- I am... **accepted** (Ephesians 1:6; 1 Peter 2:5)
- I am... **crucified with Christ** (Romans 6:6-8; Galatians 2:20; 1 Peter 2:24)
- I am... **buried with Christ** (Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12)
- I am... **raised with Christ** (Romans 6:4; Ephesians 2:6; Colossians 3:1)
- I am... **born of the Spirit** (John 3:6)
- I am... **baptized with the Spirit** (1 Corinthians 10:17; 12:13)
- I am... **indwelt by the Spirit** (John 7:39; Rom 5:5; 8:9; 1 Corinthians 6:19; Galatians 4:6)
- I am... **sealed by the Spirit** (John 7:39; 2 Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians. 1:13; 4:30)
- I am... **in God** (1 Thessalonians 1:1)
- I am... **in Christ** (John 14:20)
- I am... **in the Spirit** (Romans 8:9)
- I am... **dead to the law** (Romans 7:4)
- I am... **delivered from the law** (Romans 6:14; 7:6; 2 Corinthians 3:11; Galatians 3:25)
- I am... **rescued from the dominion of darkness** (Colossians 1:13; 2:13-15)
- I am... **a new creation** (2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15)
- I am... **a member of His Body** (1 Corinthians 12:13)
- I am... **a part of His Bride** (Ephesians 5:25-27)
- I am... **a saint** (1 Peter 2:9)
- I am... **His inheritance** (Ephesians 1:18)
- I am... **a heavenly citizen** (Luke 10:20; Ephesians 2:19; Philippians 3:20; Hebrews 12:22)
- I am... **an ambassador for Christ** (2 Corinthians 5:20)
- I am... **light in the Lord** (Ephesians 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:4)

➤ **Reflect Christ's character in your relationships**

come in character who are you in identity.

spiritual formation = the process by which the human spirit/heart/will is given a definite form or character →

"I try to live my life in such a way, thinking what would Jesus would do if he were I."
– Dallas Willard

➤ **Elevate others, crucify self**

Mark 10:45

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

"If you were to ask me, however often you might repeat the question, what are the instructions of the Christian religion, I would be disposed to answer always and only, 'Humility.'" – St. Augustine

James 4:6

"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

"You can safely assume you've created God in your own image when it turns out that God hates all the same people that you do." – Anne Lamott

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