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"THINK ON THESE THINGS"

INTRODUCTION - (Philippians 4:8) (KJV) "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are **true**, whatsoever things are **honest**, whatsoever things are **just**, whatsoever things are **pure**, whatsoever things are **lovely**, whatsoever things are of **good report**; if there be any **virtue**, and if there be any **praise**, think on these things."

"Think" - meditate; consider; give serious thought; ponder; think in a particular way.

What is the reasoning for giving this list? - Because of "anxiety" in their life, Paul provides a remedy that includes (v4) "Rejoice in the Lord" (v6) "prayer" and (v8) "these things" and this would bring a "peace that passes understanding."

Do not allow your "anxiety" to take you out of service.

When you cannot change your circumstances, change your attitude.

"THINK ON THESE THINGS" - make it a personal application.

1. **"TRUE"** - primarily unconcealed; manifest; exactly as appears or claimed; authentic; actual or true to fact (and not merely as a possibility).

- 1) Think about God: (John 7:28; 1 Thessalonians 1:9); Hebrews 6:18)
- 2) Think about Jesus: (John 12:49; John 14:6)
- 3) Think about the Godhead and truth: (John 16:13-14)
- 4) (2 Timothy 3:14-16)

2. **"HONEST"** - be ethical; conduct as deserves esteem; honorable.

3. **"JUST"** - in accordance with right; doing that which frees you from guilt or blame.

4. **"PURE"** - kept from defilement; chaste. (1 Peter 1:22; 2 Cor. 3:16-17)

5. **"LOVELY"** - that which is attractive or pleasing; seeking the welfare of others.

6. **"GOOD REPORT"** - behave yourself. (Romans 14:7)

7. **"ANY VIRTUE"** - moral goodness or excellence. (2 Peter 1:5)

8. **"PRAISE"** - commendation; compliment; so speak praise of; to bless.

CLOSE - (v9) "The things which you **learned** and **received** and **heard** and **saw** in me, these things do, and the God of **peace** will be with you."