

The Book of Philippians

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The Problem of Selfishness

The Origins of Selfishness

- In Satan
- Parenthesis: Self-Interest vs. Selfishness
- In Mankind

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 - 2. The Centrality of Humility to Gospel Living (2:3-4)
 - a. The Perspective of Humility (2:3)
 - 1) Humility's Opponent: Self (2:3a)
 - selfishness work for wages, self-seeking
 - empty conceit delusional; vain, empty
 - 2) Humility's Catalyst: Others (2:3b)
 - a) It is Opposed to Oneself
 - b) It is Based in Lowliness of Mind
 - humility low, flat, insignificant, lowly status
 - c) It is Deliberate in Its Viewpoint
 - regarding thoughtful consideration
 - d) It is Expressed through Valuing Others
 - more important to exceed, to rise above, to overtop to be of exceptional value
 - b. The Manifestation of Humility (2:4)
 - 1) The Wrong Focal Point: Personal Interests (2:4a)
 - 2) The Right Focal Point: Others Interests (2:4b)

