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The Shocking Secret Joyful People Learn

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Philippians 4:4

...by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:2-4

Social Classes

Slaves- (no rights, bottom rung, could be punished or killed by their master with no repercussions)

Freed Men- (not quite slaves anymore, but still don't have many rights)

Regular Citizens- (these were still not in the elite class, but they had more rights than the others)

Equestrians- (because they could afford to buy horses and take them into battle, lowest level of the elites)

Senators- (members of the Roman Senate)

Emperor- (Top Dog)

Slaves

Freed Men (freedmen had special hats)

Regular Citizens (citizens had togas)

Equestrians (equestrians had rings)

Senators (Senators had a purple stripe on their toga)

Emperor (Top Dog)

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:4-8

Outdo one another in showing honor.

Romans 12:10