

# Paul's Prayers 5 – Philemon

- *I thank my God, making mention of you always in my prayers, 5 hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints, 6 that the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus. 7 For we have great joy and consolation in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed by you, brother. Philemon 1:4-7*

# Why Paul was Thankful for Philemon:

- *hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints,*
- This is not flattery. It is the truth Paul uses as the foundation of his prayer. He was exhibiting the very things Paul had written to Philippi.
- *Therefore if there is*
- *any consolation in Christ,*
- *if any comfort of love,*
- *if any fellowship of the Spirit,*
- *if any affection and mercy,*
- *2 fulfill my joy by being like-minded, Phil 2:1-2*

## Phil 2:1-2



Being  
Transformed

*do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. Rom. 12:2*

# Phil 2:1-2

Being  
Transformed



Exhortations  
In Christ

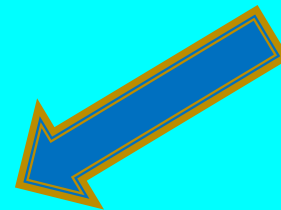


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**Exhortations  
In Christ**

**Being  
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**Consolations  
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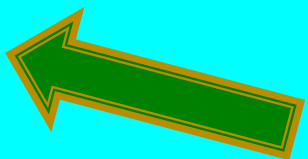


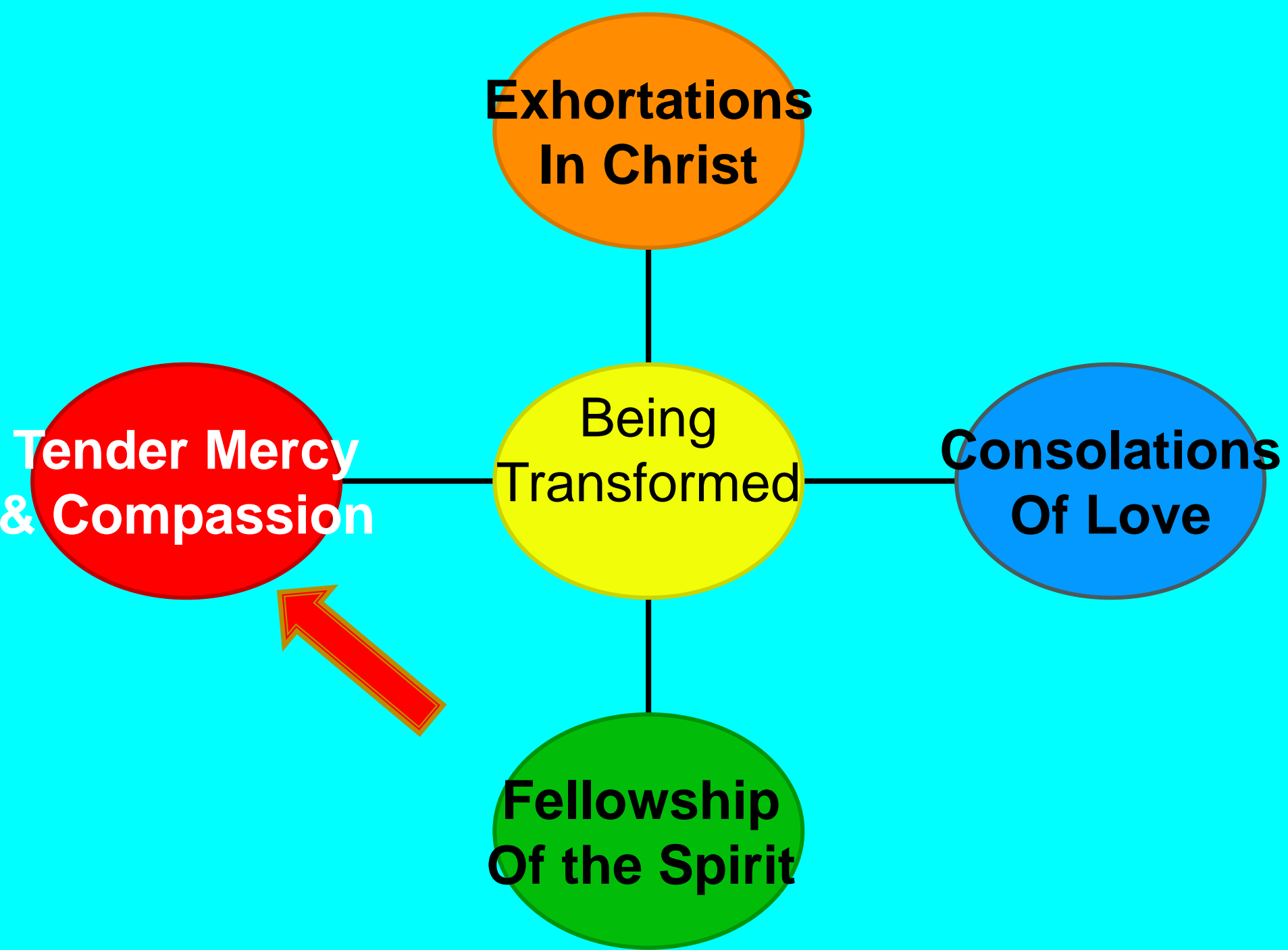
**Exhortations  
In Christ**

**Being  
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**Fellowship  
Of the Spirit**

**Consolations  
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**Exhortations  
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**Tender Mercy  
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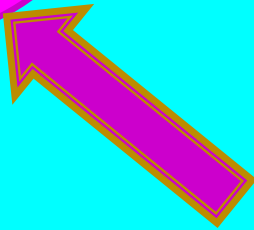
**Make Full  
My Joy**

**Consolations  
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**Being  
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**Tender Mercy  
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**Fellowship  
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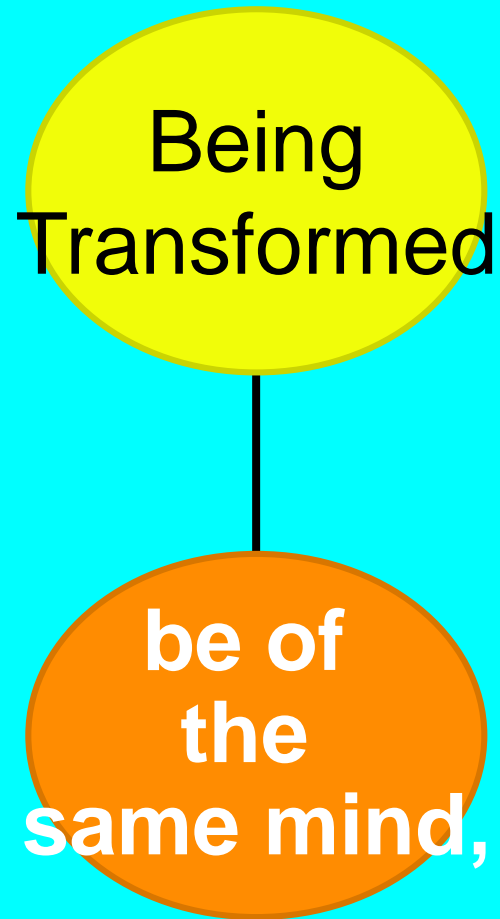




# Why Paul was Thankful for Philemon:

- *having the same love,*
- *being of one accord, of one mind.*
- *3 Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit,*
- *but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.*
- *4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*
- *5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, Phil 2:2-6*

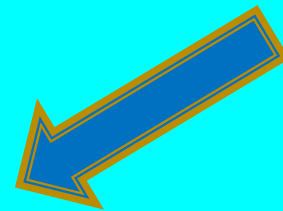
# Phil 2:1-2



**be of  
the  
same mind,**

**Being  
Transformed  
(Rom 12:1-2)**

**Have the  
Same Love**

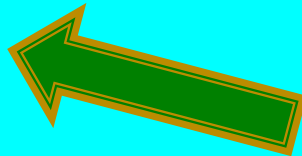


**be of  
the  
same mind,**

**Being  
Transformed**

**Be of  
One Accord**

**Have the  
Same Love**



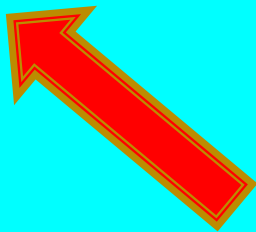
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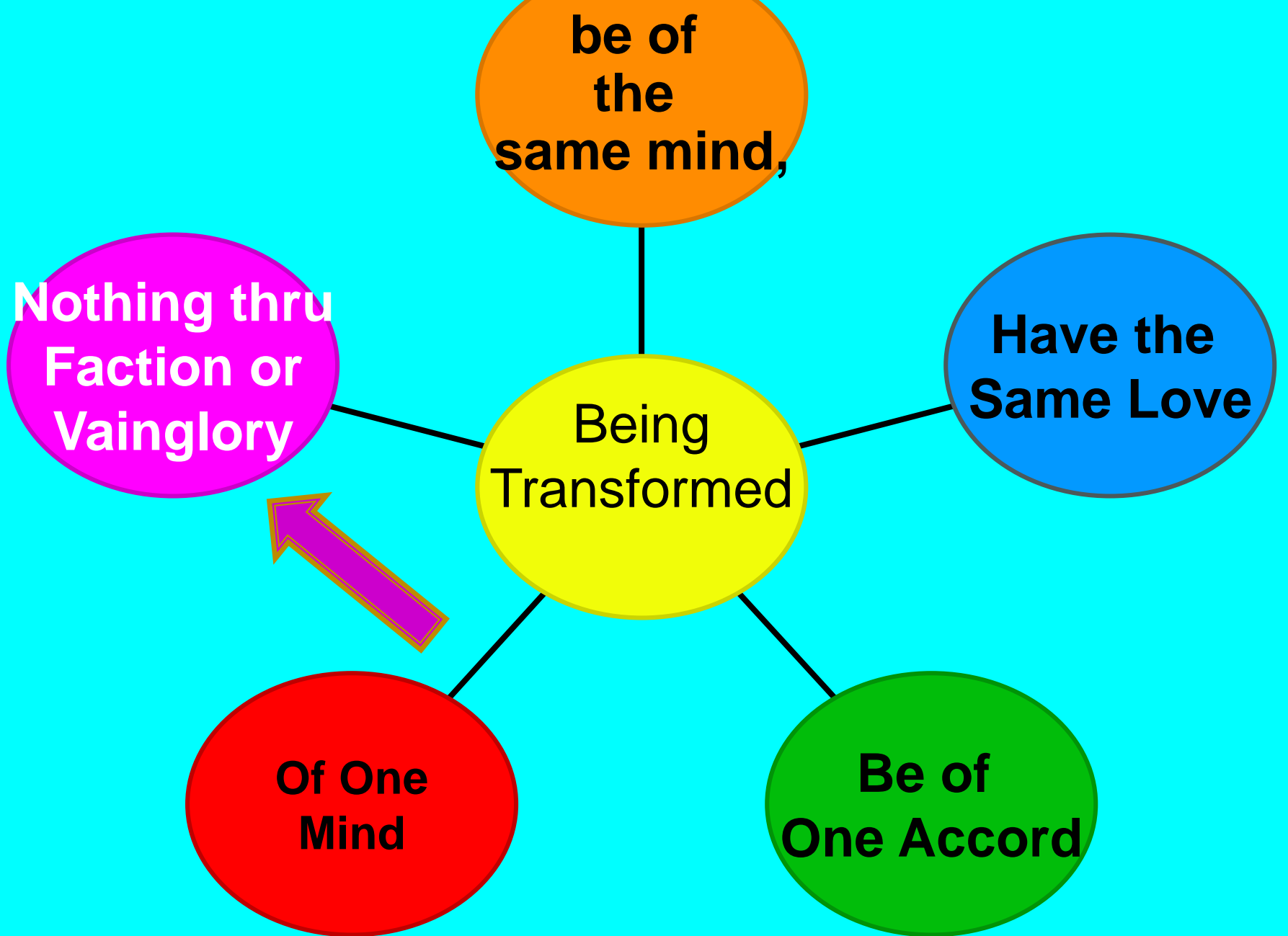
**Of One  
Mind**

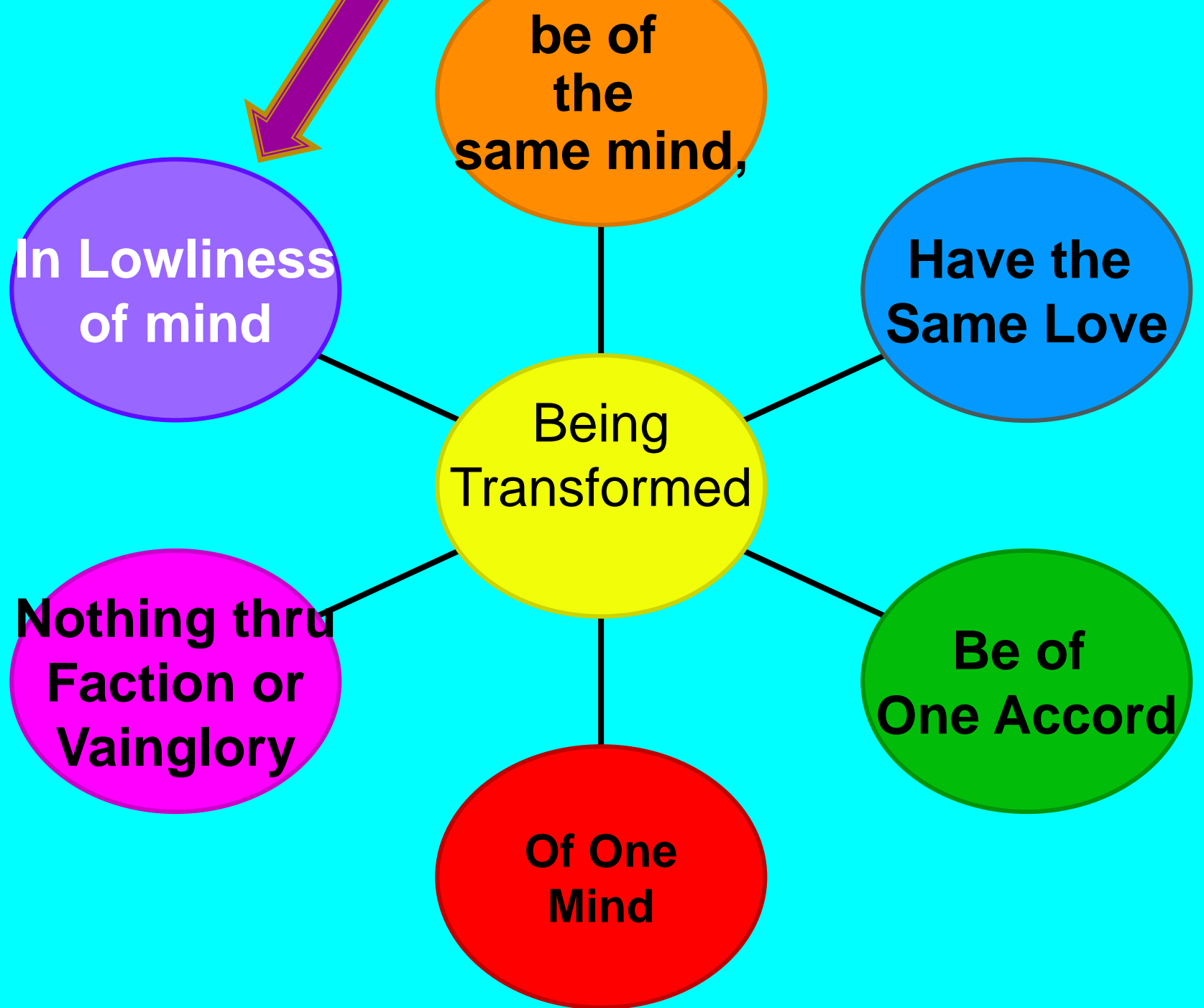
**Being  
Transformed**

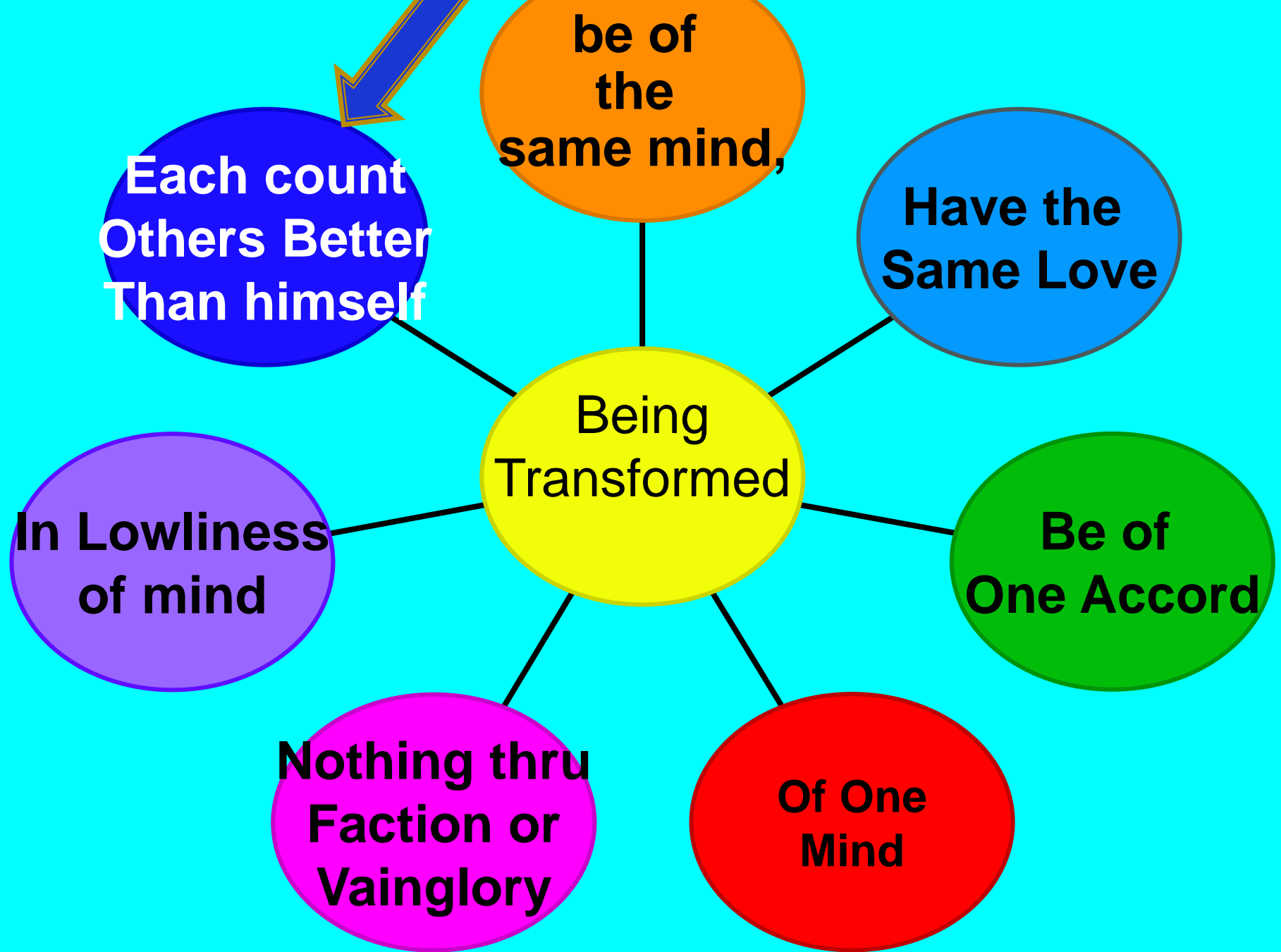
**Have the  
Same Love**

**Be of  
One Accord**











**Not Looking  
Each to his  
Own things**

**be of  
the  
same mind,**

**Have the  
Same Love**

**Each count  
Others Better  
Than himself**

**Being  
Transformed**

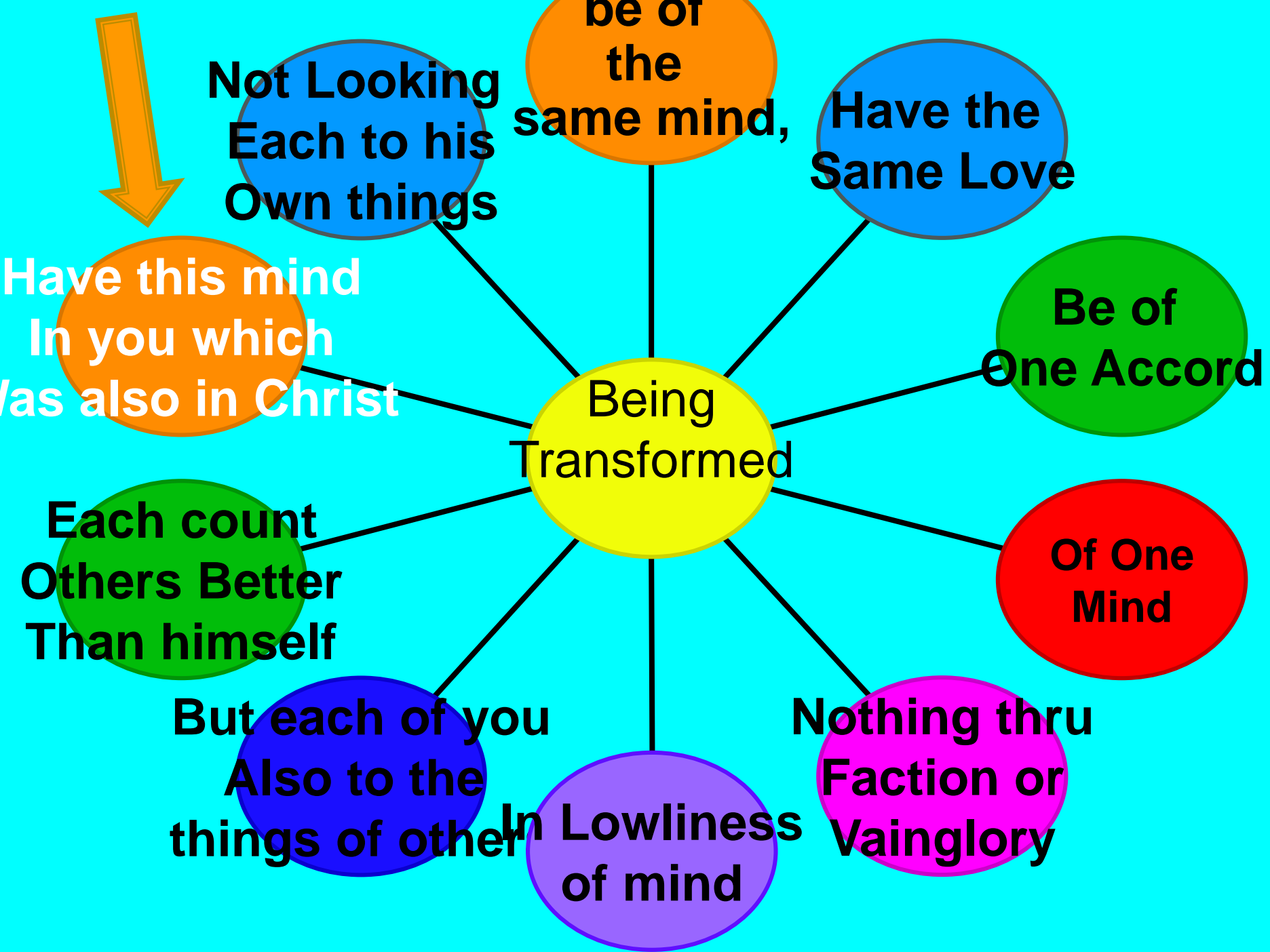
**Be of  
One Accord**

**In Lowliness  
of mind**

**Nothing thru  
Faction or  
Vainglory**

**Of One  
Mind**





# This is the Prayer's Starting Point

- Because Philemon had already mastered these things, Paul's joy was indeed full.
- Thus the prayer begins with praise and thanks to God for the wonderful fruit the gospel had produced in Philemon.
- This is a rare attribute and one to be sought!
- Paul praises Philemon highly for this growth.
- **IF we have this Paul would be thankful for us also!!!**
- This is the New Commandment of Jesus.

# A New Commandment

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- *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." Jn 13:34-35*
- This is exactly what Philemon was doing.