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<sup>1</sup> 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,  
<sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

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<sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross!

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<sup>9</sup>Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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# The Goal – Desired Outcome

Philippians 2:2



This is what Paul dreamt of, hoped for:

- Being **Like-Minded**
- Having the **Same Love**
- Being **One in Spirit**
- Being **One in Purpose**



# The Foundation and Motivation

Philippians 2:1

This provided the ability to reach the goal:

- **Encouragement** from being united in Christ
- **Comfort** from Christ's love
- **Fellowship** with the Spirit
- **Tenderness and Compassion**

These were practical tips on how to reach that goal:

- Do Nothing...
- Consider Others...
- Look out...



The How To's – Steps  
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Philippians 2:3-4

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- **Do Nothing**...out of selfish ambition or vain conceit
- **Consider Others**...better than yourselves, in humility
- **Look out**...for not only your interests but also the interests of others



**The How To's – Steps  
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# Jesus provided the ultimate example!

- **Equality** - Did not grasp equality with God
- **Emptying** – Became human, served with sacrifice
- Humbled himself and became obedient, to death
- **Exaltation** – God exalted him above all

## The Ultimate Example – The Best Attitude Ever

Philippians 2:5-11



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- **Express this principle in a practical tool**



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### A Backdrop

- Imagine a situation of conflict (or potential conflict).
- You have some interests; I have some interests.
- These interests are clearly different.

### Two Pivotal Questions

- How much energy do I give to meeting my interests?
- How much energy do I give to meeting your interests?

- **The answers result in five possible responses.**

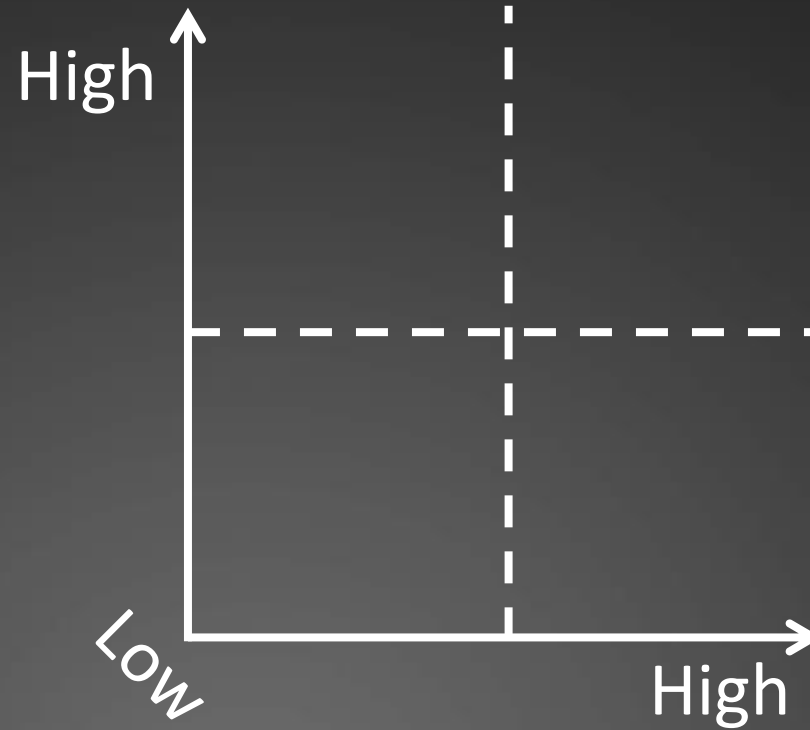
- **It's important to choose your response wisely.**



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Avoid  
Polarities

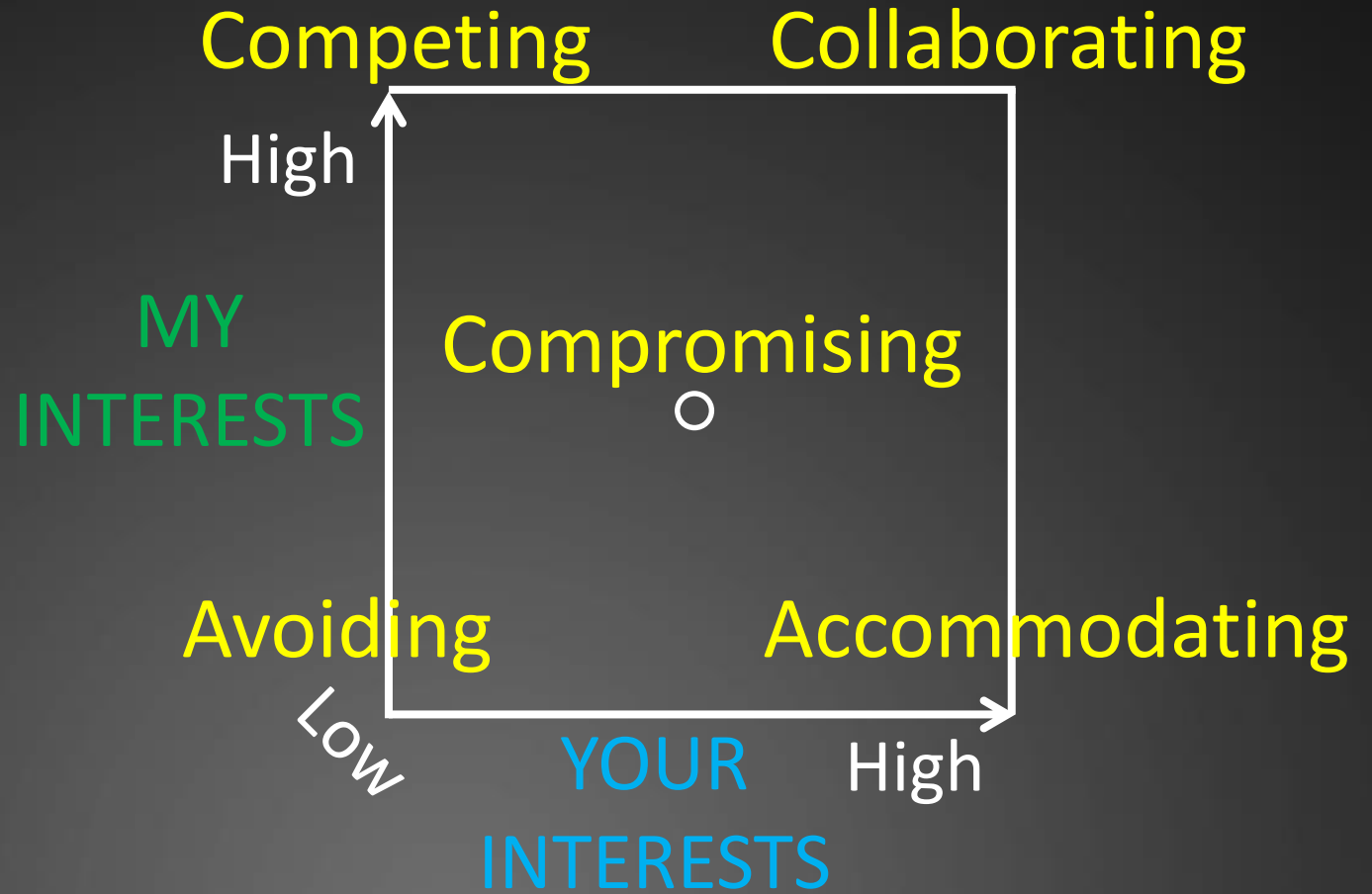


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Practical Tool:

Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument

<https://www.cpp.com/products/tki/index.aspx>



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