

PHILIPPIANS

1:1 Paul and Timothy, slaves of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus being in Philippi, together-with *the* overseers and deacons:
2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and *the* Lord Jesus Christ.

I Thank God For Your Partnership With Me In The Gospel

3 I am giving-thanks to my God upon every remembrance of you, **4** always in my every petition for you all making the petition with joy **5** on-the-basis-of your partnership for the good-news from the first day until the present, **6** being confident-of this very *thing*: that the *One* having begun a good work in you will perfect it until *the* day of Christ— **7** just as it is right for me to think this about you all because of my having you in *my* heart, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the good-news, you all being my co-partners of grace. **8** For God is my witness how I am yearning-for you all with *the* deep-feelings of Christ Jesus.

May Your Love Abound Still More In Knowledge Leading To Holiness

9 And I am praying this: that your love may be abounding still more and more in knowledge and all perception **10** so that you *may* be approving the *things* mattering, in-order-that you might be pure and blameless for *the* day of Christ, **11** having been filled with *the* fruit of righteousness which *comes* through Jesus Christ to *the* glory and praise of God.

Things Are Turning Out For The Good of The Gospel

12 Now I want you to know, brothers, that the *things* concerning me have come rather for *the* advancement of the good-news—

The Brothers Are More Fearlessly Speaking The Word

13 ... so that my imprisonment in Christ became visible in the whole Praetorium and to all the rest, **14** and so that the majority of the brothers, being confident in the Lord *because-of* my imprisonment, are more daring to fearlessly speak the word.

Whatever Their Motives, Christ Is Being Proclaimed

15 Some indeed *speak* because of envy and strife, but some also are proclaiming Christ because of good-will. **16** The ones *speak* out of love, knowing that I am appointed for *the* defense of the good-news; **17** but the others are proclaiming Christ out of selfish-interest, not purely, supposing to raise trouble in my imprisonment. **18** What indeed *does it matter* except that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is being proclaimed!

Christ Will Be Magnified In Me, Whether I Live or Die

And I am rejoicing in this. But I also will rejoice, **19** for I know that this will turn-out for me for deliverance through your prayer and *the* provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, **20** in-accordance-with my eager-expectation and hope that I will in no way be put-to-shame, but that with all boldness, as always, even now Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death— **21** for to me, the living is Christ, and the dying is gain.

Death Would Be Much Better For Me, But I Know I Will Continue To Live For Your Sake

22 Now if *it is* the living in *the* flesh, this for me means fruit from work. And I do not know what I shall choose, **23** but am gripped by the two— having the desire that *I might* depart and be with Christ, for that is better by much more, **24** but the remaining in the flesh is more-necessary for your sake. **25** And being confident-of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your advancement and joy of faith, **26** in order that your boast may be abounding in Christ Jesus in me through my presence again with you.

But Conduct Yourselves Worthily of The Gospel, And Don't Be Frightened

27 Only be conducting-yourselves worthily of the good-news of Christ in order that whether having come and seen you or being absent, I may be hearing-of the *things* concerning you— that you are standing-firm in one spirit, contending-together with one soul for the faith of the good-news, **28** and not being frightened in any way by the ones opposing you— which is a sign of destruction for them, but of your salvation, and this from God.

God Has Granted That We Should Both Believe In Christ And Suffer For Him

29 Because to you was granted the *thing* for Christ's sake— not only the believing in Him, but also the suffering for His sake, **30** having the same struggle such as you saw in me and now are hearing to be in me.

Fill Up My Joy By Being United In Love And Humility

2:1 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any deep-feelings and compassions, **2** fill-up my joy, which is that you be thinking the same *thing*, having the same love, united-in-spirit, thinking the one *thing*; **3** doing nothing based-on selfish-interest nor based on conceit, but with humble-mindedness regarding one another as surpassing yourselves; **4** not each looking-out-for your own things, but also each the *things* of others.

Think And Behave Like Christ Did

⁵Be thinking this in you, which also *was* in Christ Jesus—⁶Who, while being in *the* form of God, did not regard the being equal with God a thing-to-be-grasped, ⁷but emptied Himself, having taken *the* form of a slave, having come in *the* likeness of humans. And having been found as a man *in* outward-appearance, ⁸He humbled Himself, having become obedient to the point of death—and a death of a cross! ⁹Therefore God also highly-exalted Him, and granted Him the name above every name ¹⁰in-order-that every knee should bow at the name of Jesus— of heavenly ones and earthly ones and ones under-the-earth— ¹¹and every tongue should confess-out that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to *the* glory of God *the* Father.

Work Out Your Salvation As Shining Lights In The World, Holding Out The Word of Life

¹²So then my beloved, just as you always obeyed— not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence— be working-out your salvation with fear and trembling. ¹³For God is the *One* working in you both the wanting and the working, for *His* good-pleasure. ¹⁴Be doing all *things* without grumblings and arguments ¹⁵in-order-that you may become blameless and innocent, children of God without-blemish amidst a crooked and perverted generation, among whom you are shining as lights in *the* world, ¹⁶holding-out *the* word of life— for a boast for me in *the* day of Christ that I did not run in vain nor labor in vain!

But Let Us Rejoice Together No Matter What Happens To Me

¹⁷But if I even am being poured-out upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am rejoicing [over it], and rejoicing-with you all. ¹⁸And **you** also be rejoicing the same way, and be rejoicing-with me.

I Am Hoping To Send Timothy To You, And To Come Soon Myself

¹⁹Now I am hoping in *the* Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon in order that I also may be cheered, having come-to-know the *things* concerning you. ²⁰For I have no one likeminded who will genuinely be concerned-about the *things* concerning you. ²¹For the ones all are seeking their *own things*, not the *things* of Jesus Christ. ²²But you know his approvedness, because he served with me for the good-news as a child with a father. ²³So indeed I am hoping to send this *one* at-once, whenever I see the *things* with-respect-to me. ²⁴And I am confident in *the* Lord that I myself also will come soon.

I Sent Back Epaphroditus, Your Precious Servant To My Need. Rejoice In Him

²⁵But I regarded *it* necessary to send to you Epaphroditus— my brother and fellow-worker and fellow-soldier, and your delegate and minister of my need— ²⁶because he was yearning-for you all, and *was* being distressed because you heard that he was sick. ²⁷For indeed he was sick nearly to death. But God had-mercy-on him— and not him only, but also me, in order that I should not have grief upon grief. ²⁸Therefore I sent him more-eagerly, in order that having seen him again you may rejoice, and I may be less-grieved. ²⁹So receive him in *the* Lord with all joy, and be holding such ones precious, ³⁰because he drew-near to the point of death for the sake of the work of Christ— having risked *his* life in order that he might fill-up your lack of service to me.

Finally, Rejoice In The Lord

3:1 Finally, my brothers, be rejoicing in *the* Lord. To be writing the same *things* to you *is* not troublesome for me, and *is* safe for you—

Watch Out For The False Circumcision

²Be watching-out-for the dogs, be watching out for the evil workers, be watching out for the mutilation. ³For **we** are the circumcision, the ones worshipping in *the* Spirit of God and boasting in Christ Jesus and not putting-confidence in *the* flesh— ⁴though myself having confidence even in *the* flesh!

If Anyone Can Put Confidence In The Flesh, I More

If any other person thinks that he may put-confidence in *the* flesh, I more— ⁵in circumcision *the* eighth day; from *the* nation of Israel, *the* tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew from Hebrews; in relation to *the* Law— a Pharisee; ⁶in relation to zeal— persecuting the church; in relation to *the* righteousness in *the* Law— having been blameless.

But I Count All Such Things As Loss That I May Know Christ And His Power

⁷But what *things* were gains to me, these I have regarded to be a loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸But more than that, I am indeed regarding all *things* to be a loss for the sake of the surpassing greatness of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for the sake of Whom I suffered-loss-of all *things* and am regarding them as garbage in order that I might gain Christ ⁹and be found in Him, not having my *own* righteousness from *the* Law but the *one* through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God on the basis of faith— ¹⁰that I might know Him and the power of His resurrection and the partnership of His sufferings, being conformed to His death ¹¹if somehow I might attain to [the power of] the resurrection-out from *the* dead.

Brothers, I Am Forgetting The Past And Pressing On Toward The True Prize

¹²Not that I already obtained *it* or have already been made-perfect, but I am pressing-on to see if I may indeed take-hold-of that for which also I was taken hold of by Christ Jesus. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold, but one

thing I do: forgetting the *things* behind and stretching-toward the *things* ahead, ¹⁴I am pressing-on toward *the* goal for the prize of the upward calling *from* God in Christ Jesus.

All Who Claim To Be Mature: Think This Same Way. Imitate Me

¹⁵Therefore, all who *are* mature— let us be thinking this. And if you are thinking anything differently, God will reveal this also to you. ¹⁶Nevertheless, to what *thinking* we attained, *by* the same *let us* be walking-in-line. ¹⁷Be fellow-imitators of me, brothers, and be watching the *ones* walking in this manner, just as you have us *as a* pattern.

For There Are Many Enemies of The Cross. They Focus On Earthly Things

¹⁸For many walk *as to* whom I was often saying *to* you, and now even weeping say, *they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ—
¹⁹whose end *is* destruction, whose god *is their* stomach and glory *is* in their shame— the *ones* thinking the earthly *things*.

And Our Citizenship Is In Heaven

²⁰For our place-of-citizenship is *in the* heavens, from where also we are eagerly-awaiting *the* Savior, *the* Lord Jesus Christ,
²¹Who will transform the body of our lowliness *so as to be* similar-in-form *to* the body of His glory, according-to the working *that* enables Him also to subject all *things* to Himself.

So My Beloved, Stand Firm In This Manner

4:1 So then, my beloved and yearned-for brothers, my joy and crown, be standing-*firm* in this manner in *the* Lord, beloved.

Help My Fellow-Workers To Think The Same Thing

²I exhort Euodia and I exhort Syntyche to be thinking the same thing in the Lord. ³Yes, I ask you also, genuine comrade, be helping these women who contended-together with me in connection with the good-news, along-with both Clement and the rest of my fellow-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Be Rejoicing In The Lord, Kind To All, And Praying To God

⁴Be rejoicing in *the* Lord always; again I will say, be rejoicing. ⁵Let your kindness be known *to* all people. The Lord *is* near. ⁶Be anxious-*about* nothing, but in everything, *by* prayer and petition with thanksgivings, let your requests be made-known to God. ⁷And the peace of God surpassing all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Be Considering And Practicing All That Is True And Commendable

⁸Finally, brothers, be considering these *things*— whatever *things* are true, whatever *things* are honorable, whatever *things* are right, whatever *things* are pure, whatever *things* are lovely, whatever *things* are commendable, if *there is* any virtue, and if *there is* any praise. ⁹Be practicing these *things* which you indeed learned and received and heard and saw in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Thank You For The Gift Epaphroditus Brought, And Your Continuing Partnership With Me

¹⁰Now I rejoiced in *the* Lord greatly that now at last you revived *your* thinking about me— upon which indeed you were thinking, but you were lacking-opportunity. ¹¹Not that I speak in relation to *a* need, for **I** learned to be content in *the things* in which I am. ¹²I indeed know-*how* to be humbled. I also know-*how* to abound. In anything and in all *things*, I have learned-the-secret— both to be filled-to-satisfaction and to be hungry, both to abound and to be in-need. ¹³I can-do all *things* by-means-of the *One* strengthening me. ¹⁴Nevertheless, you did well having co-partnered *in* my affliction.

You Alone Have Partnered With Me From The First

¹⁵And **you** also know, Philippians, that in *the* beginning of the good-news when I departed from Macedonia, no church partnered *with* me in *the* matter of giving and receiving except you alone. ¹⁶Because even in Thessalonica you sent *to* me both once and twice for *my* need. ¹⁷Not that I am seeking-for the gift, but I am seeking-for the fruit increasing to your account.

I Have Received Your Pleasing Offering To God, And I Am Abounding

¹⁸And I am receiving everything in full, and I am abounding. I have been filled-up, having received from Epaphroditus the *things* from you— *an* aroma of fragrance, *an* acceptable sacrifice, pleasing *to* God. ¹⁹And my God will fill-up every need of yours in-accordance-with His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰Now *to* our God and Father *be* the glory forever and ever, amen.

²¹Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers with me greet you. ²²All the saints greet you, but especially the *ones* from Caesar's household. ²³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit.