

We'd like to invite you, and yours, to join us Sundays at 6:00 PM, starting Sept 9, as we begin to walk through this poignant, yet powerful series of truths.

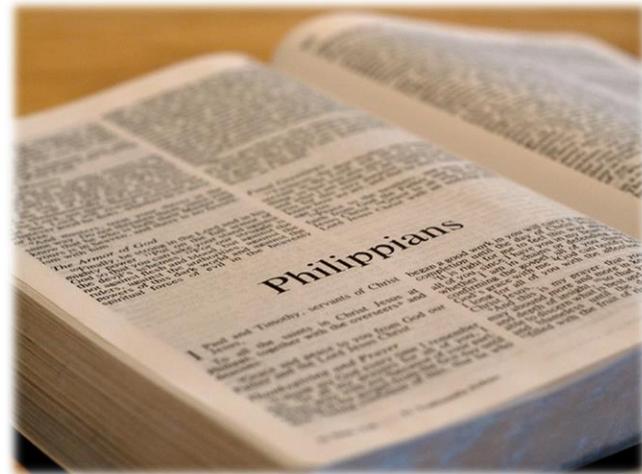


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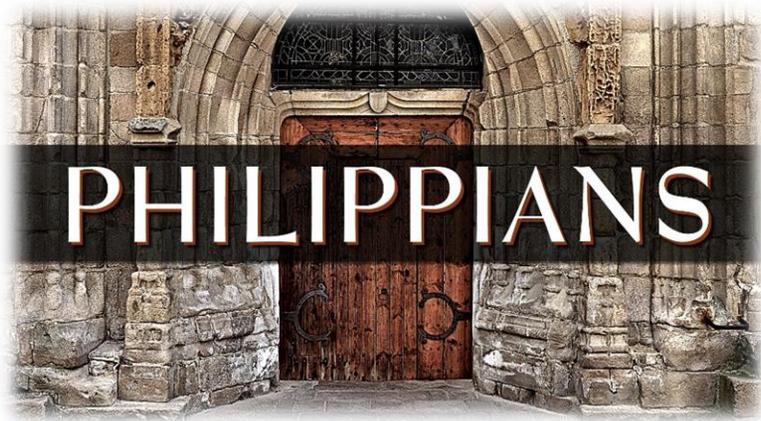
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For an epistle of only 104 verses, four brief chapters, Paul's letter to the Philippians is amazingly profound. At one level, it is a poignant message from a jailed apostle to a beloved supporting church. At another, it contains an exhilarating hymn of Christ's humility and exaltation, and offers a glimpse into Paul's intense passion to know Christ.



In this brief letter Christ is a *passionate focus* -- Christ is our 'life' (1:21) -- He is our 'example' (2:5) -- He is our 'goal' (3:8) -- He is our 'strength' (4:13) ... Simply put: 'Christ is our all and all!'



From the standpoint of evangelism and discipleship, *Philippians* is rich, as Paul:

- Models how to bear suffering without self-pity,
- Describes the immediacy of Christ's presence at death,
- Offers one of the most important Christological (Christ-centered / doctrinal) passages in the Bible,
- Urges us to live holy lives, in such a way that we are enabled to shine like stars in a dark world,
- Presses us towards the goal of fulfilling God's call in our lives,

- Teaches us how to rejoice, how to pray, how to find peace, and
- Explains why we can trust God to meet our every need with abundance.

*Philippians* is inspiring, warming, challenging, encouraging. It's an upbeat letter, full of joy and rejoicing. But the lessons of faith and discipleship it teaches are not just "feel-goods." They are deep, enduring perspectives on how to face problems, stress, and struggle -- and grow through them, rather than wilting under the pressure!



These messages could change your life, your family, and your destiny!