

## "Joy and Thanksgiving: Paul's Letter to The Philippians"

Fall 2021 at FBC



This booklet is intended to provide you an opportunity to read-along/read ahead and interact with the weekly scripture readings during the 8 weeks of FBC's "Philippians: Joy and Thanksgiving" preaching series. All scriptures quoted are taken from the English Standard Version (ESV) translation.

Date: Sunday Oct 10

Theme: Paul's personal circumstances

**Text:** Philippians 1:12-26

## The Advance of the Gospel

12 I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, 13 so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. 14 And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

15 Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. 16 The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. 17 The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me in my imprisonment. 18 What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice.

## To Live Is Christ

Yes, and I will rejoice, 19 for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, 20 as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. 24 But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

## **Footnotes**

Philippians 1:12 Or "brothers and sisters". In New Testament usage, depending on the context, the plural Greek word adelphoi (translated "brothers") may refer either to brothers or to brothers and sisters; also verse 14

Philippians 1:13 Greek "in the whole praetorium" Philippians 1:14 Some manuscripts add "of God"

Preaching This Morning:	
Main Application Point from the Sermon:	
This Week I'm going to ask God's help to work on:	
SERMON NOTES:	