
Philippians 4: 19 – 23
Solid Rock Church
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Philippians Series Conclusion Today

Series went from April 27th – Sept 14th

20 Messages by 5 Different Teachers:

Elliott, Eric, Craig, Julian, and Rick

Philippi, Macedonia



Size: 700 sq miles

Houston, Texas

Pop: 10,000+



Founded:

King Philip 356 BC



Roman Colony: 31 BC

4th – 7th Century

**Christian Center in
Europe**



Location now:

Kavala, Greece

ANCIENT PHILIPPI



Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Written: Paul, 61 AD while in jail in Rome

Church Founded by Paul : 50 – 52 AD

During 2nd Journey with Silas (Acts 16: 6 – 40)

1st Christian Church Paul founded in Europe

2nd Miss Journey: 2,800 Miles, 3 years

Paul's Structure to His Letters



Introduction: salutation, church greetings, thanksgiving



Doctrine: theological exposition on central gospel themes



Instruction: application, guidance, and commands



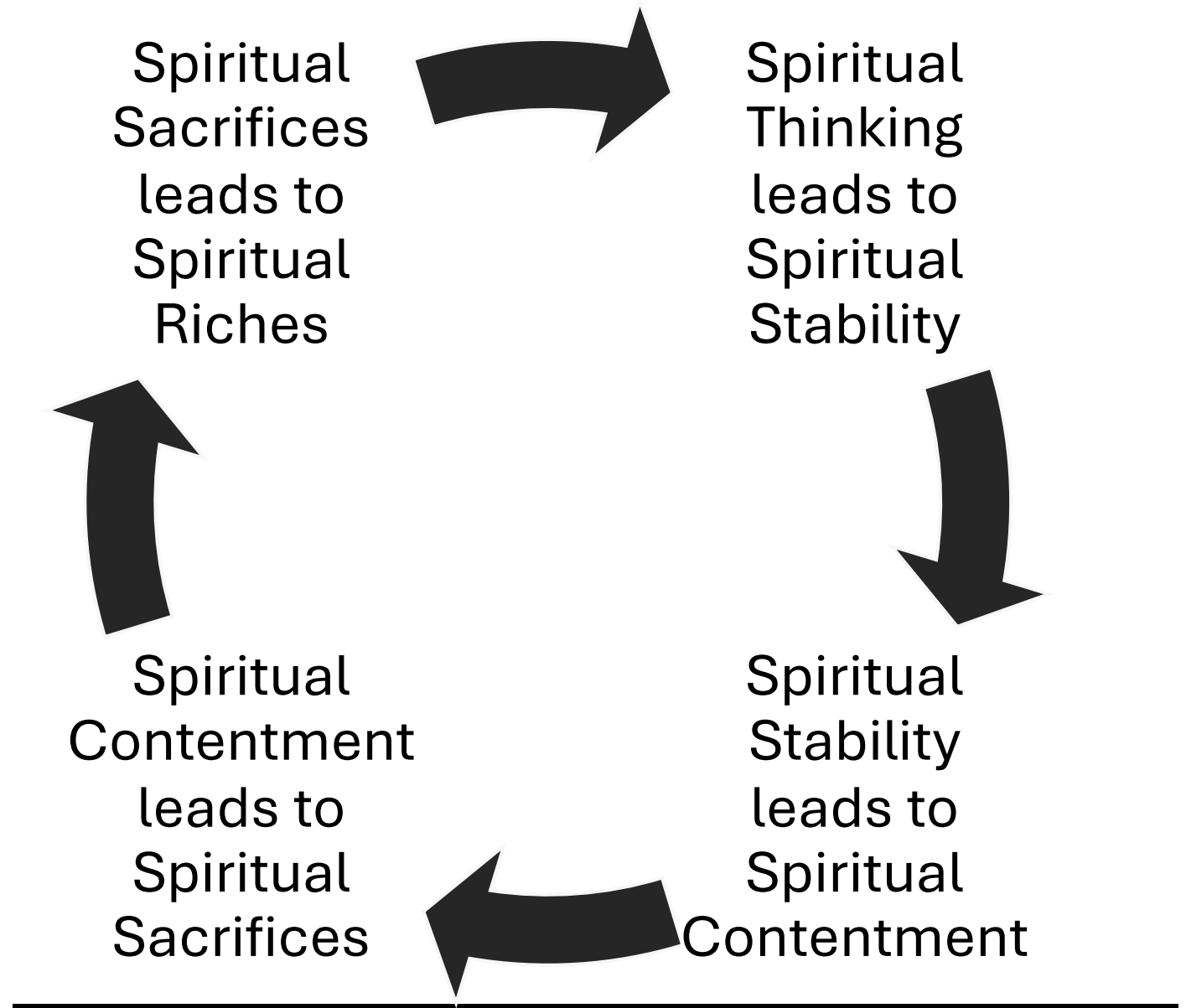
Conclusion: personal greetings, farewells, reminders

Central Themes in Philippian Chapters

1. Joy and thanksgiving in adversity and suffering
2. Personal humility; church humility and unity
3. Surpassing worth of knowing Christ with heavenly goals
4. Rejoicing in Christ through all things, our thoughts

Spiritual Maturity Progression

Philippians 4



3 Phrases in **Philippians 4: 19 – 23**

And my God shall ***supply all your needs according to His riches*** in glory in Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father be the glory forever and ever. Amen. ***Greet every saint in Christ Jesus.*** The brethren who are with me greet you. All the saints greet you, ***especially those of Caesar's household.*** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

1. Supply Your Needs According to His Riches

God supplies our needs -- not our wants

God supplies what is needed for His will -- not for our will

According to His riches, not out of them – He never runs out

What are some of the riches of Jesus?

The Riches of Jesus

Colossians 2: 2 - 3, ...Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all **the riches of wisdom and knowledge**.

Ephesians 1: 18, Having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the **riches of his glorious inheritance** in the saints.

The Riches of Jesus

Colossians 1: 27, To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are **the riches of the glory** of this mystery, **which is Christ in you, the hope of glory**.

Ephesians 2: 7, So that in the coming ages he might show the **immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness** toward us in Christ Jesus.

The Riches of Jesus: In Us!!!

Hope of God's glory in our attitude and spirit

Our kindness in grace and forgiveness through Jesus

Wisdom and knowledge of God through His Word

Belief and behavior through our eternal inheritance

Are you Spiritually Rich?

2. Greet Every Saint in Christ Jesus

Saint in the New Testament referred to anyone who believed in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Paul used saint 40X

1st Corinthians 1: 2, The church of God in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, **called to be saints**, along with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Saint in Roman Catholic Tradition

Someone who lived with exemplary virtue, merit, devotion, and religious achievement. (at least 10,000 recorded)

These leaders are elevated to sainthood by an official decree from the Pope; or were martyred in early Church history.





Saint in Roman Catholic Tradition

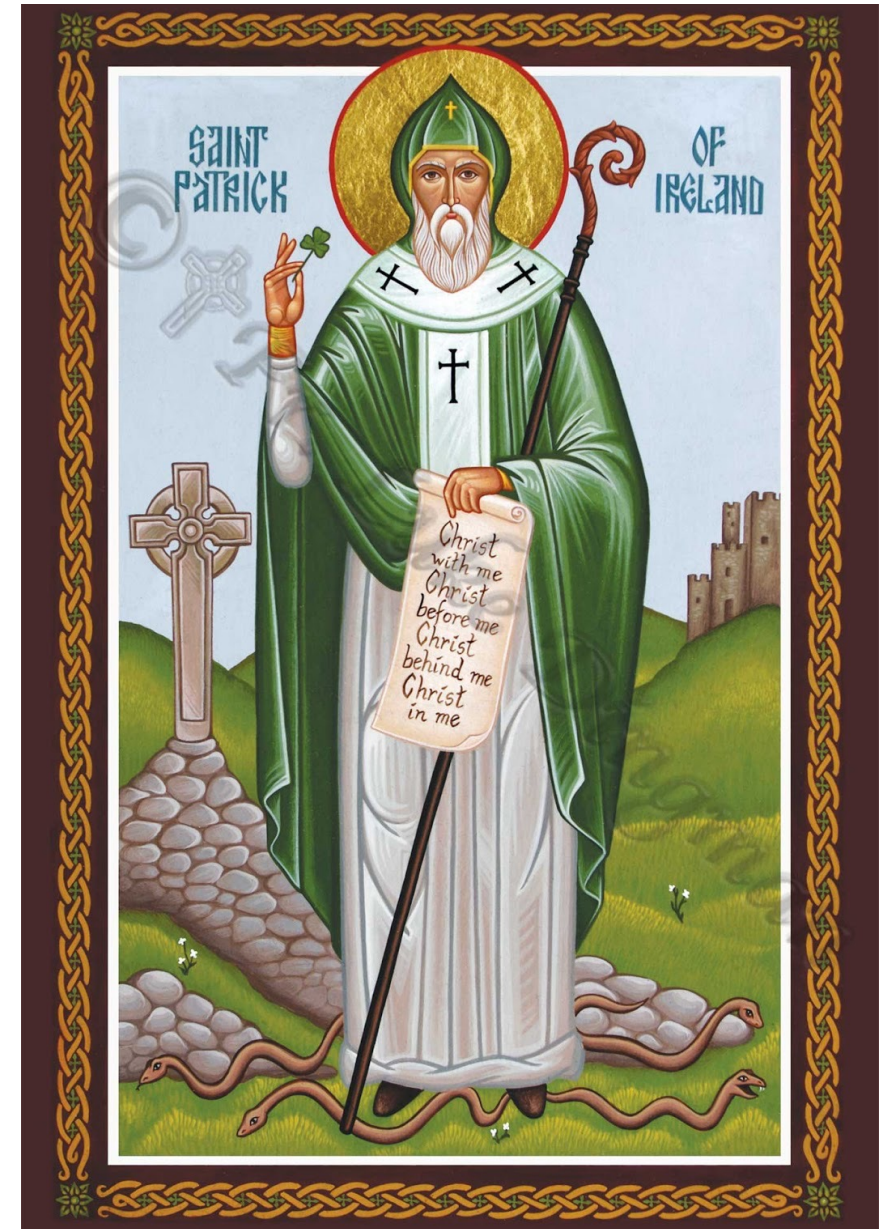
Saints are often publicly celebrated and worshipped.

Exodus 20: 4 – 5, You shall not make for yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven, on earth, or under water. You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

Saint in Roman Catholic Tradition

Churches are often named after Saints. (St Patrick; St. Thomas Moore)

Matthew 4: 10, You shall worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.



Saint in Roman Catholic Tradition

Saints who will intercede with God about life, or in purgatory.

1st Timothy 2: 5, For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Jesus Christ.

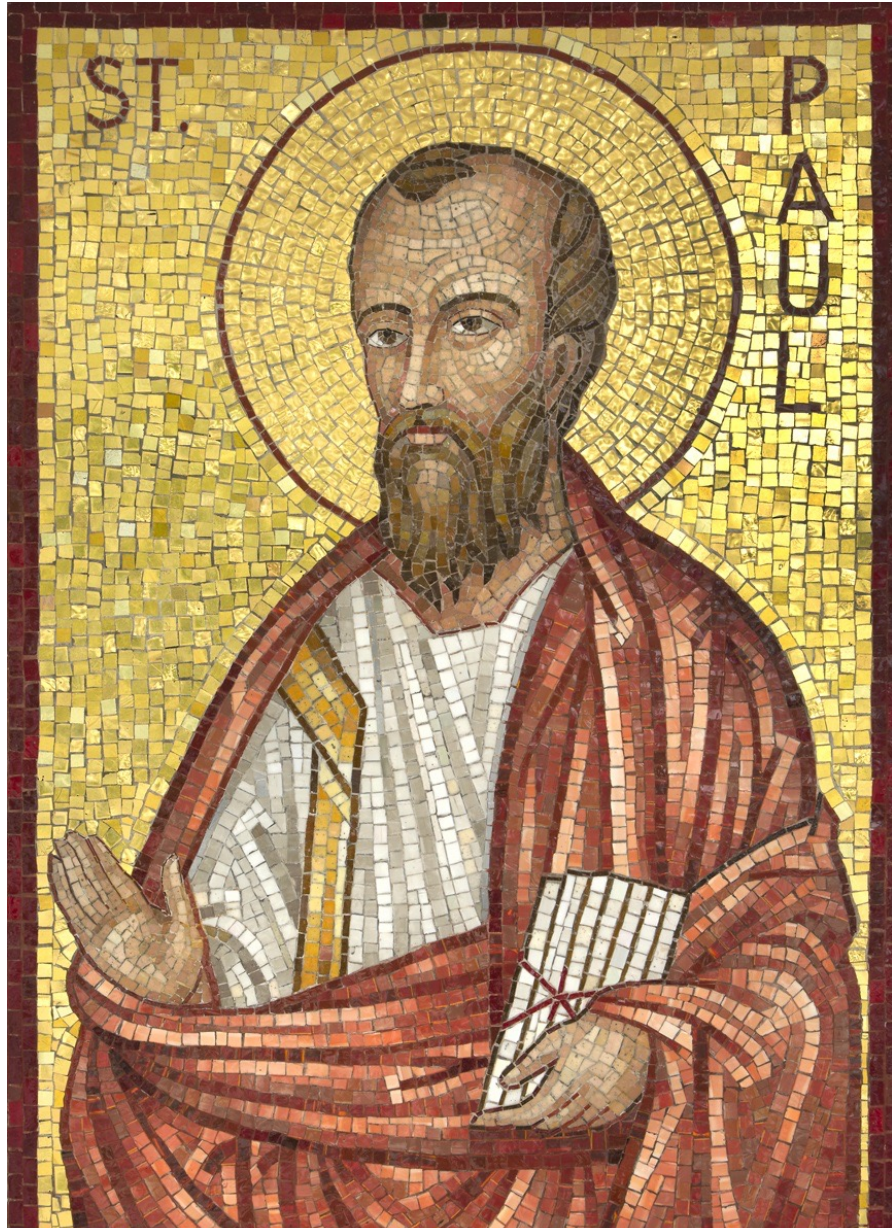


**Prayer of
St. Gertrude for the
Souls in Purgatory.**

Eternal Father, I offer
You the most Precious
Blood of Your Divine
Son, Jesus, in union with
the Masses said
throughout the world
today, for all the Holy
Souls in Purgatory, for
sinners everywhere, for
sinners in the Universal
Church, those in my
own home, and within
my family.

Amen.

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Why Does Paul Call us Saints then?

Saint: someone separated from sin, to God, for holy purposes.

We are in Christ Jesus “Greet every saint in Christ Jesus.” v. 21

No other world religion has a God who unites with them as one.

We are Saints in Christ Jesus

Galatians 2: 20, I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, **but Christ lives in me...**

1st Corinthians 1: 30, And because of God, **you are in Christ Jesus**, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption.



Our Sainthood

We're saints because we are united in Christ.

We're saints because of what Christ did
- not what we've done.

We're saints and need to live according to that calling and sanctification.

3. Saints in Caesar's Household

It was against Roman law to believe in or worship anything other than the Emperor (Caesar).

Nero 54 – 68 AD – during Paul's missionary journeys - wanted everyone to refer to him as, lord and savior!

Roman Imperial Cult: mandated acts of civil loyalty to the emperor as a demonstration of allegiance to the state.

Saints in Caesar's Household?!?

Caesar's (Nero's) household included family, and all those employed for the state under his authority.

Up to 35,000 people, conservative estimate (military also)

Phillipi: Roman colony. They would celebrate this.

Saints in Caesar's Household

J.B. Lightfoot, 19th
century NT Scholar:
some of the 30 names
listed in his Romans 16
are identical to names
listed in Nero's imperial
household (inner staff)





Saints in Caesar's Praetorian Guard

Philippians 1: 12 - 13, Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. As a result, it has **become clear throughout the whole praetorian guard**, and to everyone else, that I am in chains for Christ.

Full Circle Grace

1: 2, Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

4: 23, The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Paul ended every letter wishing God's grace to the people.

Closing Paul Grace Imperatives

We are saved, sustained, governed, guided, strengthened, enabled, equipped, encouraged and comforted by grace.

Romans 5: 2, Through Christ also we have obtained our introduction by faith **into the grace in which we stand**; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

Spiritual Riches: Living in Christ

Jesus Christ is the theme of Philippians

He is mentioned at least 50 times in 104 verses

servant of Christ (1:1), cause of Christ (1:13), presence of Christ (1:23) worthy of Christ (1:26), attitude of Christ (2:5), glory in Christ (3:3), saved by faith in Christ (3:9),

Riches in Christ (3:8)

The Epistle of James

Wisdom for Christian Living

