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*Grace and Gratitude*

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1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,  
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi,  
with the overseers and deacons:

<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and  
the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,  
<sup>4</sup> always in every prayer of mine for you all making my  
prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the  
gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> And I am sure of  
this, that he who began a good work in you will bring  
it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.

<sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

# Gospel-Identity

1 Paul and Timothy, **servants** of Christ Jesus,

To all the **saints in Christ Jesus** who are at Philippi,  
with the overseers and deacons:

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the Lord Jesus Christ.

# Gospel-Partnership

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prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the  
gospel from the first day until now.

# Gospel-Perseverance

° And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you **will** bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.



# Gospel-Perseverance

<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and **no one will snatch them out of my hand.**

*We are indeed called to forsake our sins and no healthy Christian would suggest otherwise. When we choose to sin, we forsake our true identity as a child of God, we invite misery into our lives, and we displease our heavenly Father. We are called to mature into deeper levels of personal holiness as we walk with the Lord, truer consecration, new vistas of obedience.*

*But when we don't – when we choose to sin – though we forsake our true identity, our Saviour does not forsake us. These are the very moments when his heart erupts on our behalf in renewed advocacy in heaven with a resounding defence that silences all accusations, astonishes the angels, and celebrates the Father's embrace of us in spite of all our messiness.”*

– Dane Ortlund

# Gospel-Culture

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*Gratitude arises from the lived perception,  
evaluation, and acceptance of all of life as grace  
— as an undeserved, unearned gift from the  
Father's hand.*

– Brennan Manning