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PHILIPPIANS 1:12-18 ESV

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Philippians



1. FOR THE ADVANCE OF THE GOSPEL

PHILIPPIANS 1:12 ESV

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There is no such thing as chance, luck or accident in the Christian's journey through this world.

All is arranged and appointed by God. Therefore, if we profess to be believers in Jesus Christ, let us seek to have an abiding sense of God's hand in all that befalls us. Let us strive to realise that a Father's hand is measuring out our daily portion and that our steps are ordered by the Lord.

J.C. RYLE



2. THROUGH PAULS PERSONAL WITNESS

PHILIPPIANS 1:13 ESV

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3. THROUGH OTHERS BEING ENCOURAGED BY PAUL

PHILIPPIANS 1:14 ESV

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"Be of good comfort, Master Ridley, and play the man. We shall this day light such a candle by God's grace in England as I trust shall never be put out!".

NICHOLAS RIDLEY



PHILIPPIANS 1:15-17 ESV

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