



Philippians

THE HOPE OF JOY

Philippians 4:1-9

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1. The Call

2. The Response

3. The Promise

19 times in 4 chapters - "in Christ"

1:1, 21, 26

2:1, 5, 19, 24, 29

3:1, 3, 14

4:1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 13, 19, 21

I. The Call:

Be in the Lord

“To be ‘in Christ’ is to find personal fulfillment, to enjoy brotherly unity, and to experience a radical transformation. Only then can we become the world’s salt and light, sharing the good news with others, making an impact on society, and above everything else seeking to bring honor and glory to his wonderful Name.”

- John Stott

2. The Response:

v. 1 - Stand Firm

v. 2 - Unity

v. 3 - Help each other

v. 4 - Rejoice - twice

v. 5 - Be known

by reasonableness

v. 6 - Don't be anxious,
about *anything*

v. 6 - Pray, in *everything*

v. 8 - Carefully curate
your input

“Begin to rejoice in the Lord, and your bones will flourish like an herb, and your cheeks will glow with the bloom of health and freshness. Worry, fear, distrust, care - all are poisonous! Joy is balm and healing, and if you will but rejoice, God will give power.”

- A. B. Simpson

THRPL

- True

- Honorable

- Right

- Pure

- Lovely

...anything commendable, excellent,
worthy of praise

“Wrong thinking leads to wrong feeling, and before long the heart and mind are pulled apart and we are strangled by worry. We must realize that thoughts are real and powerful, even though they cannot be seen, weighed, or measured. We must bring ‘every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.’”

- Warren Weirsbe

3. The Promise:

Peace of the Lord

“The nearness of God is my good.”

- *Psalm 73:28*