Finding Joy: Pursue unity for the sake of the gospel Philippians 1:27-2:4

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<sup>27</sup> Only conduct yourselves
             in a manner worthy
                               of the gospel
                                          of Christ,
             so that
                             whether I come
                                        and
                                        see you
                             or
                                        remain absent,
                       I will hear of you
                               that you are standing firm
                                                   in one spirit,
                                                                 with one mind
                                                   striving together
                                                                 for the faith
                                                                          of the gospel;
                                                 <sup>28</sup> in no way alarmed
                                                                  by your opponents -
                                                            which is a sign
                                                                         of destruction
                                                                                 for them,
                                                                         but
                                                                         of salvation
                                                                                 for you,
                                                                         and that, from God.
<sup>29</sup> For
                  to you
  it has been granted
                  for Christ's sake,
                  not only
                  to believe
                         in Him,
                  but also
                  to suffer
                        for His sake,
                      30 experiencing the same conflict
                                                      which you saw
                                                                      in me.
                                                                  and now
                                                                  hear
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in me.

2 Therefore

if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion,

² make my joy complete

by being of the same mind,
maintaining the same love,
united in spirit,
intent on one purpose,

³ [doing] nothing from selfishness

or

empty conceit,

but

with humility of mind regard[ing] one another as more important than yourselves;

⁴ not *merely* look[ing] out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.