

# *Think on These Things: Philippians from a Modern Perspective*

## *Lesson Title*

Philippians

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Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice (Phi 4:4)

- I. Background – located in \_\_\_\_\_ (modern day Greece)
  - a. Renamed Philippi in 356BC by Philip II
  - b. Octavian becomes the 1<sup>st</sup> emperor of \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Roughly 800 miles from Rome on the Via Egnatia road
- II. Start of the Church – roughly AD49
  - a. Paul & Silas pick up \_\_\_\_\_ in Lystra & travel to Philippi
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ and her family become the 1<sup>st</sup> converts
  - c. The church generously supports Paul in his journey
- III. Basic Theme – Encouragement and Joy
  - a. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is found in God and doing His will
  - b. Where is our focus, ourselves or others?
  - c. Rejoice in the \_\_\_\_\_ always; again I will say, rejoice
- IV. Application
  - a. Be \_\_\_\_\_ Christians
  - b. Be selfless Christians
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ others always

CONCLUSION: Let us be joyful in our Christian walk, giving thanks to God in all we do and encouraging one another along the way.

## NOTES

### ANSWERS:

Lydia

Joy

Joyful

Macedonia

Encourage

Lord

Timothy

Rome