



Praise

Philippians 1:1-18

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Crossroads Community
DNA:
“God, Show Us The Needs
In The Area And Provide
The Resources To Meet
The Needs.”

Needs = Spiritual &
Physical

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Doers Disciples Dedicated Deliverers Church

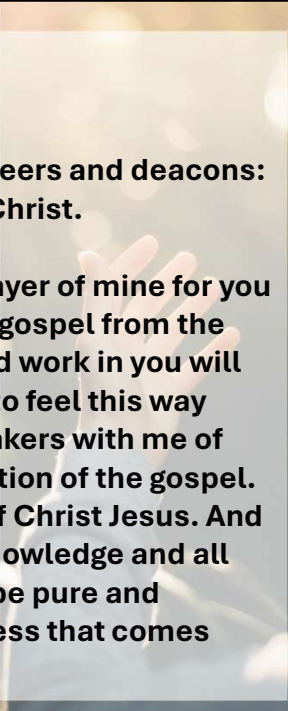


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Philippians 1:1–18

**Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. 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. 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. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.



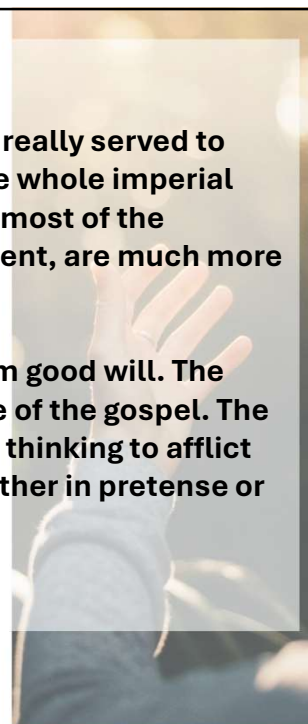
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Philippians 1:1–18

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me in my imprisonment. What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice.

Yes, and I will rejoice,

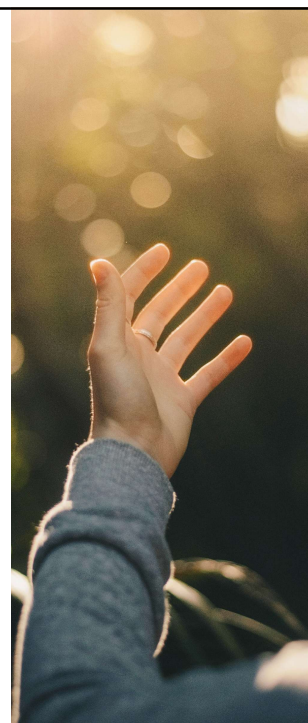


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Church Is Partnership – vs. 1-11

Foundation Of The Church

- The gospel
 - First church in Europe founded by Paul
 - Following the Macedonian Call - Acts 16:6-40
 - Lydia, demon possessed girl, jailer and family
- Disciple-makers
 - Paul modeled disciple-making – Timothy
 - Overseers and deacons in the church
- Grace
 - Undeserved, unmerited favor
- Peace
 - God's presence
- All a gift from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ



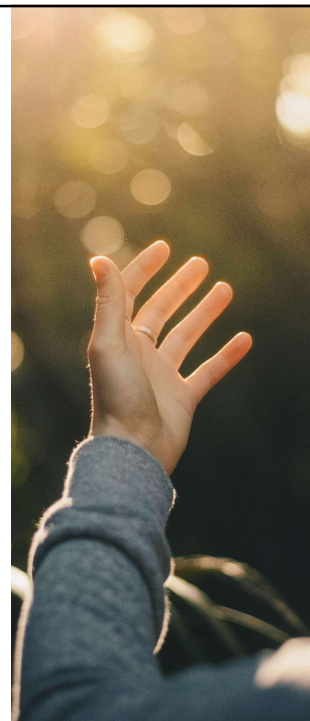
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Foundation Of The Church

Prayer

- The foundation not the reaction
- Joy for the church's testimony
- Gospel message received, applied, and multiplied



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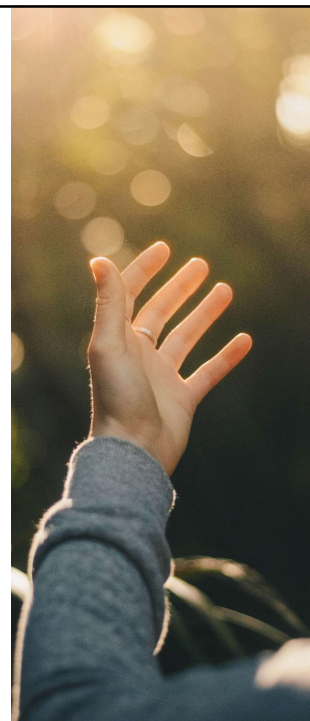
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Certainty Of Faithful Obedience

- God is the foundation of the church
- God will continue to work... “His ‘A’ Plan”
- Work of the church will come to an end, but not yet...



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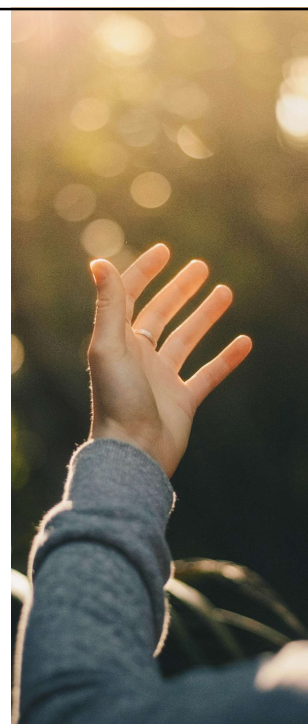
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Struggles Test

- Both physical and spiritual trials are real
- Faith must be applied with God's wisdom –
James 1:2-8; 1 Peter 1:6-10; Romans 5:1-5
- Spiritual battles are raging –
Ephesians 6:10-20



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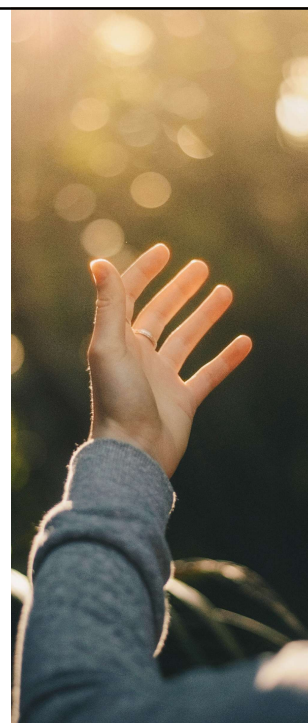
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Struggles Test

Godly Love Demonstrated

- Love grows for God as the church obeys His calling
- Love grows for others as the church's love grows for God
- Discernment in applying God's love to other grows
- Gifts and demonstration of the Holy Spirit's work
 - Blameless
 - Righteousness
 - True praise of God

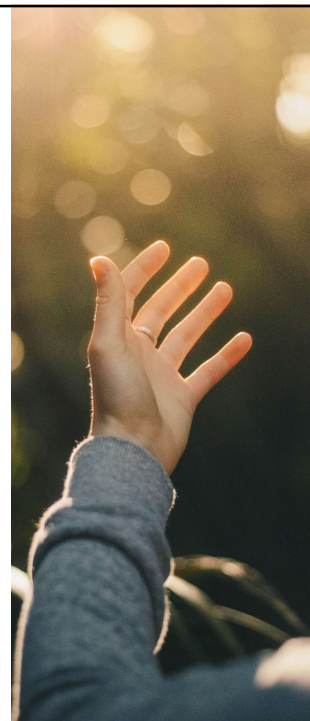


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Church Is Participation – vs. 12-14

Understanding God's Sovereignty

- God uses hard times for His glory
- Our perspective set on God
 - Blessed during persecution – Matthew 5:10-12
 - Guided in the middle of the trial – Matthew 10:19-20
 - Use every opportunity to share the hope in you – Acts 9:10-16



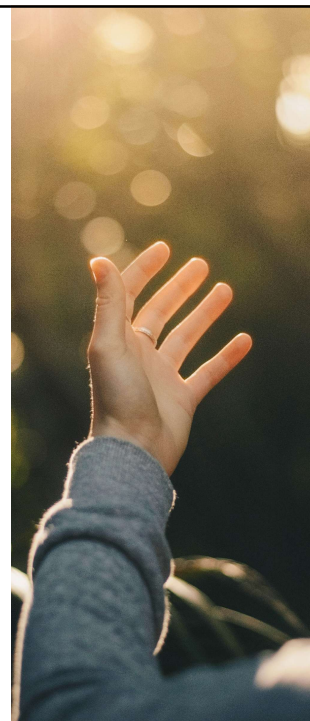
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Understanding God's Sovereignty

Remembering Paul's Conflicts

- Multiple imprisonments
- Multiple attempts to kill him
- Multiple conflicts with religious leaders
- Multiple conflicts with church leadership



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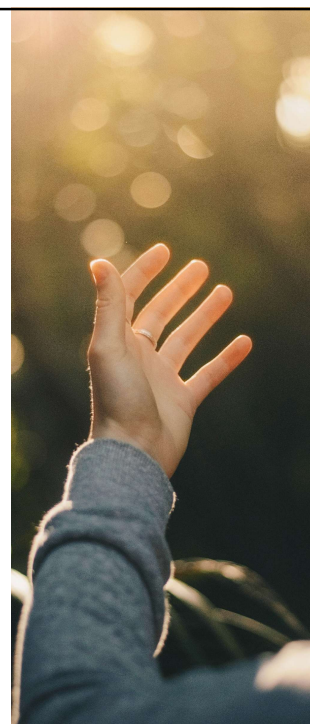
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Boldness Not Fear

- The church moves forward boldly through the battles
- Paul stands firm in proclaiming the gospel
- God moves through the church's boldness
- The enemy deceives with doubt and fear
- Allow God to be God

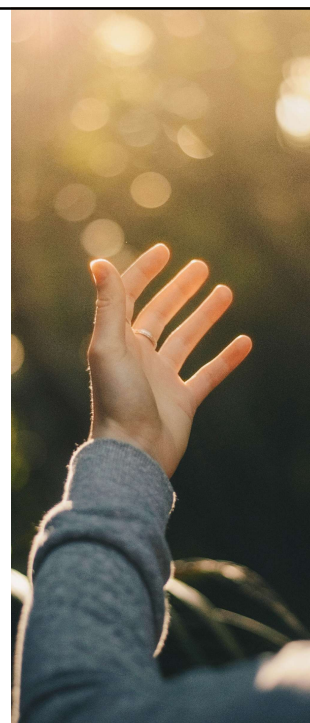


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Church Is Proclamation – vs. 15-18

All Believers Are Commanded To Proclaim

- Commanded by Jesus –
 Matthew 28:16-20 – All authority.. Go.. Make Disciples
 Mark 16:15-16 – Proclaim in all the world... salvation
 Luke 24:44-49 – Witnesses... sent... not alone
 John 20:19-21 – As the Father sent... I am sending...
 Acts 1:7-8 – Will receive power... you will be my witness

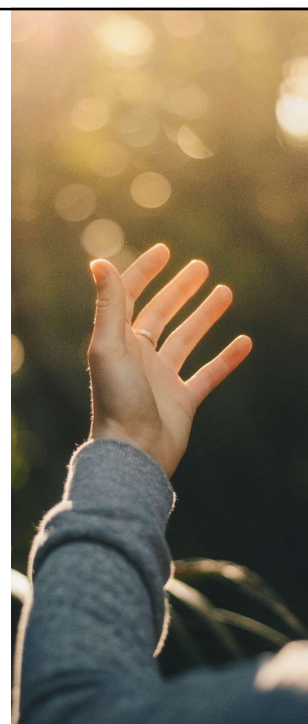


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- Commanded by Jesus (Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:44-49; John 20:19-21; Acts 1:7-8)
- Preach = Proclaim
 - The testimony of Jesus
 - Your story of grace
 - The urgency for Jesus
- God's Plan
 - Beautiful feet – Romans 10:14-17
 - Our love of God will be fueled the passion to share the gospel as we love overs



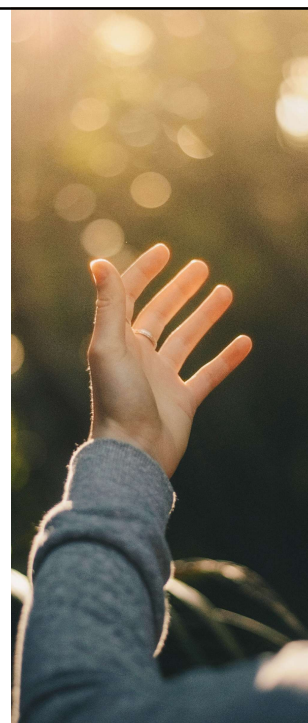
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Call To Rejoice

- Spiritual resurrection brings celebration
- Spiritual transformation brings blessings
- Spiritual discipleship bring reproduction
- Spiritual obedience reaffirms defeat of the enemy



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**“God, Give Us The Nations, And Do It
In A Way That Only YOU
Get The Glory!”**

**What Is God Calling Your
To Do For His Glory?**

