

# Philippians 1 Study Guide

## Scriptures in Study Guide:

Scriptures this week are in the NKJV (New King James Version). To make things easier, the actual verses will be included in your daily lessons to help you with the missing words.

### Day 1 (verses 1-6)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.  
Read **Philippians 1: 1-6** out loud and complete the following verses and questions.

**1** Paul and Timothy, bondservants of Jesus Christ, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: **2** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **3** I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, **4** always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, **5** for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, **6** being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ;

#### Verse 1:

- Paul and Timothy are \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.
- Paul is including \_\_\_\_\_ as the sender of this letter to Philippi.
- Paul is writing this letter to the \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus who are in \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul is also greeting the \_\_\_\_\_ and deacons in this letter to Philippian church..

\*Bishops and deacons in the church were the teachers and physical overseers of the church.  
(Cross reference: **1 Timothy 3:1-7**)

#### Verse 2:

- Grace to you and \_\_\_\_\_ from God our Father and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ Christ.

#### Verse 3:

- Paul thanks his God upon every \_\_\_\_\_ of the Philippian church.

#### Verse 4:

- Paul is praying for the Philippian church \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul prays with \_\_\_\_\_ with every prayer request he has for the Philippian church.

#### Verse 5:

- Paul's joy comes from the Philippian's fellowship in the \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ day until now.

#### Verse 6:

- Paul is \_\_\_\_\_ that He who began a \_\_\_\_\_ work in the Philippian church will complete it until the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.
- God is the One who \_\_\_\_\_ a work in a believer and He is the One Who will \_\_\_\_\_ it.

How would you summarize today's verses; **Philippians 1:1-6** (what is happening and who are involved)?

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**Day 2 (verses 7-11)**

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.  
Read **Philippians 1: 7-11** out loud and complete the following verses and questions.

**7** just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. **8** For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. **9** And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, **10** that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, **11** being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

**Verse 7:**

- Paul states that it is \_\_\_\_\_ for him to think of this of them because he has the Philippian church in his \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul makes these statements while he is both in his chains and in the \_\_\_\_\_ and confirmation of the gospel.
- Because of the defense and confirmation of the gospel, Paul is in \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Philippian church are all \_\_\_\_\_ with Paul of grace.

**Verse 8:**

- For God is Paul's \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul states that God would attest how greatly he \_\_\_\_\_ for those in the Philippian church.
- Paul longs for them with the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

**Verse 9-11:**

- Paul prays that their \_\_\_\_\_ may abound still \_\_\_\_\_ and more in knowledge and \_\_\_\_\_ discernment.
- Paul prays that this abundance of knowledge and discernment would result in them approving of the things that are \_\_\_\_\_.
- Their approval of excellent things will
  - make them sincere and without \_\_\_\_\_ till the day of Christ.
  - fill them with the \_\_\_\_\_ of righteousness which are by Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ to the glory and \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- When we are \_\_\_\_\_ with the fruits of righteousness, these fruits will result in the \_\_\_\_\_ and praise of God.
- These fruits of \_\_\_\_\_ are by \_\_\_\_\_ Christ.

How would you summarize yesterday and today's verses (**Philippians 1:1-11**) together if someone asked you what they were about? :

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### **Day 3 (verses 12-18)**

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.  
Read **Philippians 1: 12-18** out loud and complete the following verses and questions.

**12** But I want you to know, brethren, that the things *which happened* to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, **13** so that it has become evident to the whole [a]palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; **14** and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. **15** Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: **16** [b]The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; **17** but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. **18** What then? Only *that* in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

#### **Verse 12-14:**

- Paul is reassuring them that the things which \_\_\_\_\_ to him have actually turned out for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel.
- Paul refers to the readers of this letter as \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul explains that because he has been imprisoned for his faith, it has become \_\_\_\_\_ to the whole palace \_\_\_\_\_, and to all the rest that his \_\_\_\_\_ are in Christ.
- The fact that Paul is in chains in Christ has become known to \_\_\_\_\_ of the brethren in the Lord as well.
- Paul's situation of being in chains has made him more \_\_\_\_\_ by his chains and he is much more bold to \_\_\_\_\_ the word without fear.

#### **Verse 15:**

- Paul makes the point that some:
  - preach Christ even from \_\_\_\_\_ and strife
  - preach Christ also from \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Verse 16-17:**

- The former (those who preach Christ from envy and strife) do it from \_\_\_\_\_ ambition, not sincerely and suppose to add \_\_\_\_\_ to Paul's chains.
- The latter (those who preach Christ from goodwill) out of \_\_\_\_\_, knowing that I am appointed for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel.

#### **Verse 18:**

- Paul ask "\_\_\_\_\_ then?"
- Paul answers his own question by saying that only in \_\_\_\_\_ way, whether in \_\_\_\_\_ or in truth, Christ is \_\_\_\_\_
- Paul rejoices that Christ is \_\_\_\_\_ in both instances.
- Paul repeats that, yes, he will \_\_\_\_\_ ; and in this Paul will rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

How would you summarize **Day 1-3 (Philippians 1:1-18)** verses together?

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How would you explain, if someone asked you, what Paul is saying to the Philippian church in **verses 15-18**?

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**Day 4 (verses 19-26)**

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.  
Read **Philippians 1: 19-26** out loud and complete the following verses and questions.

**19** For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, **20** according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. **21** For to me, to live is Christ, and to die *is* gain. **22** But if I live on in the flesh, this *will mean* fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I [a]cannot tell. **23** For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. **24** Nevertheless to remain in the flesh *is* more needful for you. **25** And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, **26** that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again.

**Verse 19-21:**

- Paul states that he knows that his situation will turn \_\_\_\_\_ for his deliverance through their \_\_\_\_\_ and the supply of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.
- Paul's assuredness comes from his \_\_\_\_\_ expectation and hope.
- Paul's earnest expectation and hope is that in nothing he shall be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul has all \_\_\_\_\_, as always.
- Paul's boldness is to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ in Paul's body.
- This magnification in Paul's body will happen either by life or by \_\_\_\_\_.
- Paul states that to live is \_\_\_\_\_ and to die is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Verse 22-24:**

- Paul states that
  - if he lives on in the \_\_\_\_\_, this will mean fruit from his \_\_\_\_\_.
  - that what he shall \_\_\_\_\_ he cannot tell.
  - he is \_\_\_\_\_ between the two choices of life and death
  - he has a desire to \_\_\_\_\_ and be with Christ
  - departing and being with Christ would be far \_\_\_\_\_ for Paul
  - nevertheless to \_\_\_\_\_ in the flesh is more \_\_\_\_\_ for them

**Verse 25:**

- Paul expresses his confidence that
  - he knows that he shall \_\_\_\_\_ and continue with them.
  - His continuance with them will be for their progress and the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith

**Verse 26:**

- Paul states that their \_\_\_\_\_ for him may be more \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ by his coming to see them again.

How would you summarize Day 1-4 (**Philippians 1:1-26**) verses together? \_\_\_\_\_

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