



Stand Firm in the Lord in this Way

Philippians – Summary

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Why?

- Paul's struggles
 - In chains 1:13
 - Under attack 1:15, 17
 - Near death 1:20 - 21
- A church in Conflict 1:27, 4:2
- A church under attack 1:28, 3:2



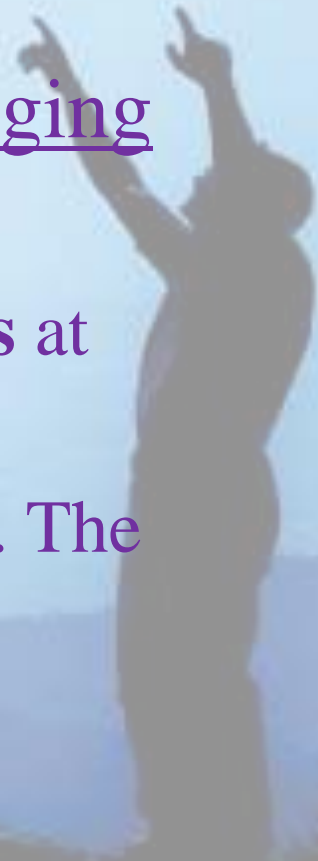
In Christ Jesus – 7X

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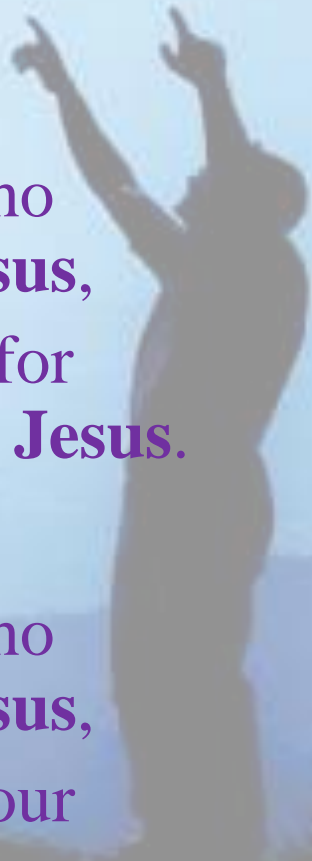
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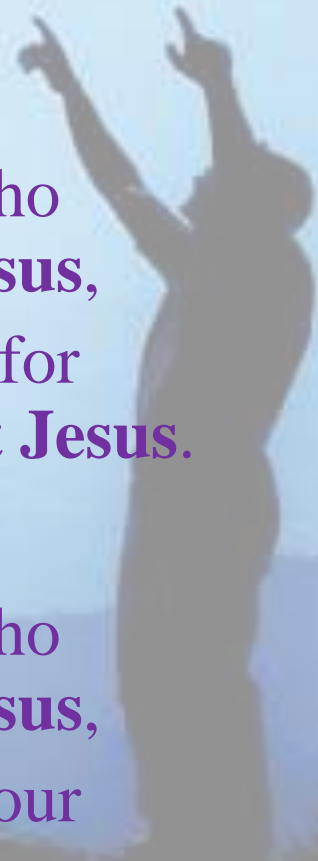
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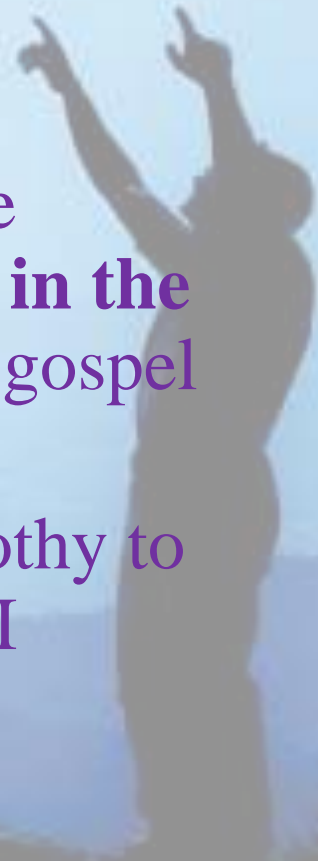
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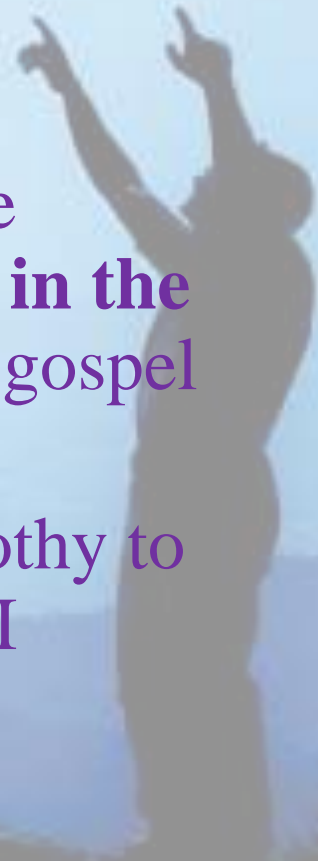


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- **3:1** Further, my brothers and sisters, rejoice **in the Lord!** It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you.
- **4:4** Rejoice **in the Lord** always. I will say it again: Rejoice!
- **4:10** I rejoiced greatly **in the Lord** that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned,

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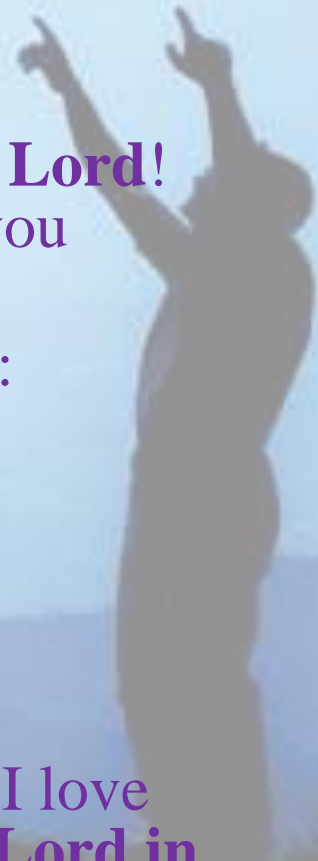
He is our...

- Joy

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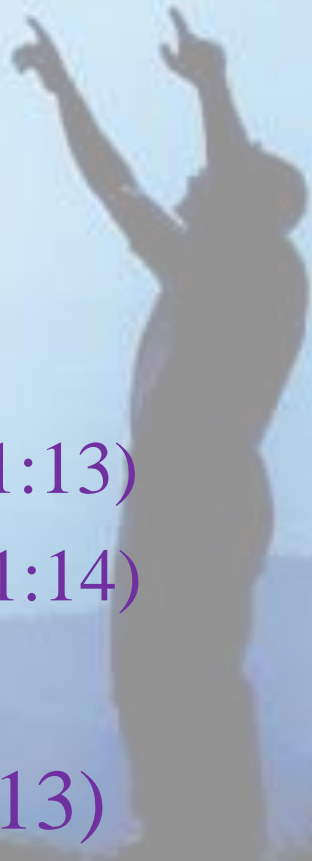
- Strength

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He is Sovereign

- He has resurrected (3:10)
- God has exalted Him (2:9-10)
- In chains
 - Known throughout the whole palace guard (1:13)
 - Others proclaimed that gospel without fear (1:14)
 - Caesar's household (4:21)
- He gives strength in all circumstances (4:13)



He is near

- **4:5** Let your gentleness be evident to all. **The Lord is near.**
- **4:9** Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the **God of peace will be with you.**



In this way Relationship with God

- Savior & Lord
- To live is Christ, to die is gain 1:21
- Consider everything a loss vs. surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord 3:8
- I want to know Christ 3:10
 - Power of his resurrection
 - Participation in his sufferings
 - Becoming like him in his death



In this Way

Relationship with self

- Rejoice - real joy & peace in every/any situation
 - Freedom from the past 3:13
 - Freedom from fear & anxiety in the future 4:6
 - True contentment 4:11
 - Real confidence 4:13
 - Paul's example: handles uncertainty with certainty. the unknown with the known, hopelessness with hope in Christ 1:19-20
- Aim in life
 - A new value 3:7-8
 - To know Christ 3:10-11
 - Christ be exalted 1:20-21, 3:13-14
- Disciplined in thoughts & actions 4:8-9



In this Way

Relationship with Other Believers

- Partnership in the gospel 1:1, 1:5
- Rejoice when attacked. Christ is preached 1:12, 18
- Partners in suffering 1:29-30
- Love based on knowledge & insight 1:9-11
- Unity with other believers 2:1-18
 - One mind, Christ's mind
 - Humility in equality
 - Humility in service
- Model the faithful 3:17
- Fellowship of generosity 4:14-20



In this Way

Relationship with the World

- Partner with other believers & with God in proclaiming, defending & confirming the gospel. 1:5-7
 - advance (1:12), proclaim without fear (1:14), defense (1:16), preach (1;17, 18)
- Conduct in a manner worthy of the gospel 1:27, 2:15
- Shine among them like stars in the sky 2:15



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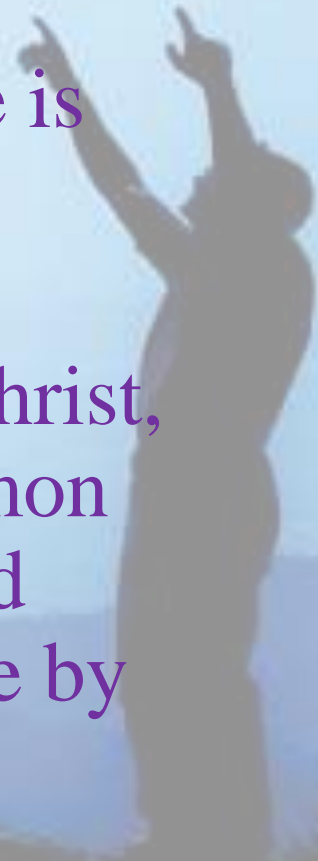
Relationship with the Opposition

- Watch Out 3:2
- Put no confidence in the flesh 3:3-7
- Do not be frightened 1:28
- Know their destiny 1:28
- Know the power of His resurrection 3:10
- Stand firm in one Spirit 1:27



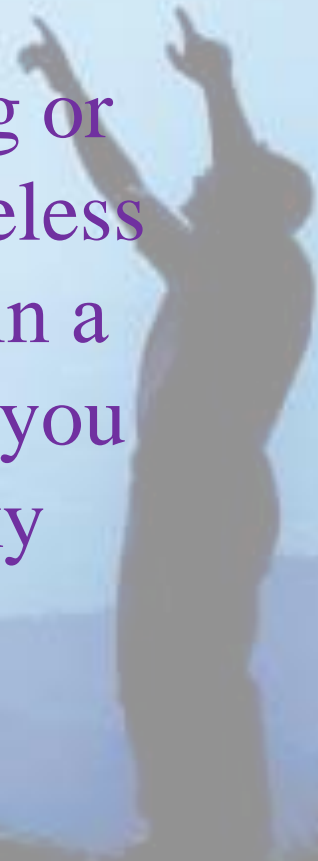
A Life Verse

- 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.
- 2:1-2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.



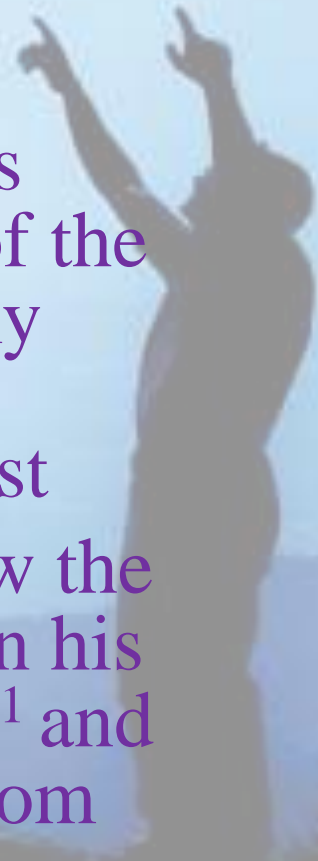
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- 2:14-15 Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.”^[a] Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky



A Life Verse

- 3:7-8 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ
- 3:10-11 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.



A Life Verse

- 3:13-14 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.



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- 4:4-7 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



A Life Verse

- 4:8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.
- 4:13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

