# The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Philippians

<sup>1</sup> Paul and Timotheus, bondmen of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with [the] overseers and ministers; <sup>2</sup> grace to you, and peace from °God our Father and [the] Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>3</sup> I thank my °God for my whole remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup> constantly in my every supplication, making the supplication for you all with joy, <sup>5</sup> because of your fellowship with the gospel, from the first day until now; <sup>6</sup> having confidence of this very thing, that he who has begun in you a good work will complete it unto Jesus Christ's day: <sup>7</sup> as it is righteous for me to think this as to you all, because ye have **me** in your hearts, and that both in my bonds and in the defence and confirmation of the glad tidings ye are all participators in my grace. <sup>8</sup> For <sup>°</sup>God is my witness how I long after you all in [the] bowels of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in full knowledge and all intelligence, <sup>10</sup> that ye may judge of and approve the things that are more excellent, in order that ye may be pure and without offence for Christ's day, <sup>11</sup> being complete as regards the fruit of righteousness, which [is] by Jesus Christ, to °God's glory and praise. <sup>12</sup> But I

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would have you know, brethren, that the circumstances in which I am have turned out rather to the furtherance of the glad tidings, <sup>13</sup> so that my bonds have become manifest [as being] in Christ in all the praetorium and to all others; <sup>14</sup> and that the most of the brethren, trusting in [the] Lord through my bonds, dare more abundantly to speak the word of °God fearlessly. <sup>15</sup> Some indeed also for envy and strife, but some also for good will, preach the Christ. <sup>16</sup> These indeed out of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the glad tidings; <sup>17</sup> but those out of contention, announce the Christ, not purely, supposing to arouse tribulation for my bonds. <sup>18</sup> What is it then? at any rate, in every way, whether in pretext or in truth, Christ is announced; and in this I rejoice, yea, also I will rejoice; <sup>19</sup> for I know that this shall turn out for me to salvation, through your supplication and [the] supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ: <sup>20</sup> according to my earnest expectation and hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but in all boldness, as always, now also Christ shall be magnified in my body whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For for me to live [is] Christ, and to die gain; <sup>22</sup> but if to live in flesh [is my lot], this is for me worth the while: and what I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> But I am pressed by both, having the desire for departure and being with Christ, [for] [it is] very much better, <sup>24</sup> but remaining in the flesh [is] more necessary for your sakes; <sup>25</sup> and having confidence of this. I know that I shall remain and abide along with you all, for your progress and

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joy in faith; <sup>26</sup> that your boasting may abound in Christ Jesus through me by my presence again with you. <sup>27</sup> Only conduct yourselves worthily of the glad tidings of the Christ, in order that whether coming and seeing you, or absent, I may hear of what concerns you, that ye stand firm in one spirit, with one soul, labouring together in the same conflict with the faith of the glad tidings; <sup>28</sup> and not frightened in anything by the opposers, which is to them a demonstration of destruction, but of your salvation, and that from <sup>°</sup>God; <sup>29</sup> because to you has been given, as regards Christ, not only the believing on him but the suffering for him also, <sup>30</sup> having the same conflict which ye have seen in me, and now hear of in me.

## 2

<sup>1</sup> If then [there be] any comfort in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of [the] Spirit, if any bowels and compassions, <sup>2</sup> fulfil my joy, that ye may think the same thing, having the same love, joined in soul, thinking one thing; <sup>3</sup> [let] nothing [be] in the spirit of strife or vain glory, but, in lowliness of mind, each esteeming the other as more excellent than themselves; <sup>4</sup> regarding not each his own [qualities], but each those of others also. <sup>5</sup> For let this mind be in you which [was] also in Christ Jesus; <sup>6</sup> who, subsisting in the form of °God, did not esteem it an object of rapine to be on an equality with °God; <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking a bondman's form, taking

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his place in [the] likeness of men; <sup>8</sup> and having been found in figure as a man, humbled himself, becoming obedient even unto death, and [that the] death of [the] cross. <sup>9</sup> Wherefore also <sup>°</sup>God highly exalted him, and granted him a name, that which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of heavenly and earthly and infernal [beings], <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ [is] Lord to °God [the] Father's glory. <sup>12</sup> So that, my beloved, even as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much rather in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, <sup>13</sup> for it is °God who works in you both the willing and the working according to [his] good pleasure. <sup>14</sup> Do all things without murmurings and reasonings, <sup>15</sup> that ye may be harmless and simple, irreproachable children of °God in the midst of a crooked and perverted generation; among whom ye appear as lights in [the] world, <sup>16</sup> holding forth [the] word of life, so as to be a boast for me in Christ's day, that I have not run in vain nor laboured in vain. <sup>17</sup> But if also I am poured out as a libation on the sacrifice and ministration of your faith, I rejoice, and rejoice in common with vou all. <sup>18</sup> In like manner do **ye** also rejoice, and rejoice with me. <sup>19</sup> But I hope in [the] Lord Jesus to send Timotheus to you shortly, that **I** also may be refreshed, knowing how ye get on. <sup>20</sup> For I have no one like-minded who will care with genuine feeling how ye get on. <sup>21</sup> For all seek their own

**<sup>° 2:9</sup>** Elohim **° 2:11** Elohim **° 2:13** Elohim **° 2:15** Elohim

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things, not the things of Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup> But ye know the proof of him, that, as a child a father, he has served with me in the work of the glad tidings. <sup>23</sup> Him therefore I hope to send immediately, as soon as I shall see how it goes with me: <sup>24</sup> but I trust in [the] Lord that I myself also shall soon come; <sup>25</sup> but I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellowworkman and fellow-soldier, but your messenger and minister to my need, <sup>26</sup> since he had a longing desire after you all, and was distressed because ye had heard that he was sick; <sup>27</sup> for he was also sick close to death, but °God had mercy on him, and not indeed on him alone, but also on me, that I might not have sorrow upon sorrow. <sup>28</sup> I have sent him therefore the more diligently, that seeing him ye might again rejoice, and that **I** might be the less sorrowful. <sup>29</sup> Receive him therefore in [the] Lord with all joy, and hold such in honour; <sup>30</sup> because for the sake of the work he drew near even to death, venturing his life that he might fill up what lacked in your ministration toward me.

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<sup>1</sup>For the rest, my brethren, rejoice in [the] Lord: to write the same things to you, to me [is] not irksome, and for you safe. <sup>2</sup> See to dogs, see to evil workmen, see to the concision. <sup>3</sup> For **we** are the circumcision, who worship by [the] Spirit of °God, and boast in Christ Jesus, and do not trust in flesh. <sup>4</sup> Though **I** have [my] trust even in flesh; if any other think to trust in flesh, **I** rather: <sup>5</sup> as to

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circumcision, [I received it] the eighth day; of [the] race of Israel, of [the] tribe of Benjamin, Hebrew of Hebrews; as to [the] law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, persecuting the assembly; as to righteousness which [is] in [the] law, found blameless; <sup>7</sup> but what things were gain to me these I counted, on account of Christ, loss. <sup>8</sup> But surely I count also all things to be loss on account of the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, on account of whom I have suffered the loss of all. and count them to be filth, that I may gain Christ; <sup>9</sup> and that I may be found in him, not having my righteousness, which [would be] on the principle of law, but that which is by faith of Christ, the righteousness which [is] of °God through faith, <sup>10</sup> to know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being conformed to his death, <sup>11</sup> if any way I arrive at the resurrection from among [the] dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained [the prize], or am already perfected; but I pursue, if also I may get possession [of it], seeing that also I have been taken possession of by Christ [Jesus]. <sup>13</sup>Brethren, **I** do not count to have got possession myself; but one thing – forgetting the things behind, and stretching out to the things before, <sup>14</sup> I pursue, [looking] towards [the] goal, for the prize of the calling on high of °God in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> As many therefore as [are] perfect, let us be thus minded; and if ye are any otherwise minded, this also °God shall reveal to you. <sup>16</sup> But whereto we have attained.

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[let us] walk in the same steps. <sup>17</sup> Be imitators [all] together of me, brethren, and fix your eyes on those walking thus as you have us for a model; <sup>18</sup> (for many walk of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they [are] the enemies of the cross of Christ: <sup>19</sup> whose end [is] destruction, whose °god [is] the belly, and [their] glory in their shame, who mind earthly things:) <sup>20</sup> for **our** commonwealth has its existence in [the] heavens, from which also we await the Lord Jesus Christ [as] Saviour, <sup>21</sup> who shall transform our body of humiliation into conformity to his body of glory, according to the working of [the] power which he has even to subdue all things to himself.

## 4

<sup>1</sup> So that, my brethren, beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, thus stand fast in [the] Lord, beloved. <sup>2</sup> I exhort Euodia, and exhort Syntyche, to be of the same mind in [the] Lord; <sup>3</sup> yea, I ask thee also, true yokefellow, assist them, who have contended along with me in the glad tidings, with Clement also, and my other fellow-labourers, whose names [are] in [the] book of life. <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in [the] Lord always: again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known of all men. The Lord [is] near. <sup>6</sup> Be careful about nothing; but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to <sup>°</sup>God; <sup>7</sup> and the peace of <sup>°</sup>God, which surpasses every understanding, shall guard your hearts and

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your thoughts by Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For the rest, brethren, whatsoever things [are] true, whatsoever things [are] noble, whatsoever things [are] just, whatsoever things [are] pure, whatsoever things [are] amiable, whatsoever things [are] of good report; if [there be] any virtue and if any praise, think on these things. <sup>9</sup> What ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, these things do; and the °God of peace shall be with you. <sup>10</sup> But I rejoiced in [the] Lord greatly, that now however at length ye have revived your thinking of me, though surely ye did also think [of me], but lacked opportunity. <sup>11</sup> Not that I speak as regards privation, for as to me I have learnt in those circumstances in which I am, to be satisfied in myself. <sup>12</sup> I know both how to be abased and I know how to abound. In everything and in all things I am initiated both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer privation. <sup>13</sup> I have strength for all things in him that gives me power. <sup>14</sup> But ye have done well in taking part in my affliction. <sup>15</sup> And know also **ye**, O Philippians, that in [the] beginning of the gospel, when I came out of Macedonia, no assembly communicated [anything] to me in [the] way of giving and receiving save **ye** alone; <sup>16</sup> for also in Thessalonica once and even twice ye sent to me for my need. <sup>17</sup> Not that I seek gift, but I seek fruit abounding to your account. <sup>18</sup> But I have all things in full supply and abound; I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things [sent]

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from you, an odour of sweet savour, an acceptable sacrifice, agreeable to °God. <sup>19</sup> But my °God shall abundantly supply all your need according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup> But to our °God and Father [be] glory to the ages of ages. Amen. <sup>21</sup> Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who [are] with me salute you. <sup>22</sup> All the saints salute you, and specially those of the household of Caesar. <sup>23</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ [be] with your spirit. Amen.

**<sup>° 4:18</sup>** Elohim **° 4:19** Elohim **° 4:20** Elohim

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