

Joy & Christ Supreme

Bring your requests to God



Believers bring their requests with prayer and thanksgiving.

Philippians 4:6–7

THINK ABOUT THE STORY

What should believers do when they bring requests to God?

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Philippians & Colossians

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Philippians 1-4

2. Colossians 1-4

MAIN POINTS

- Paul's bonds helped the gospel move forward, and other believers spoke more bravely (Philippians 1:12-14).
- Jesus took a servant's form, obeyed unto death, and was highly exalted (Philippians 2:5-11).
- Paul counted his old gains as loss so that he could know Christ (Philippians 3:7-14).
- Prayer with thanksgiving and Christ's strength helped Paul face both need and plenty (Philippians 4:6-13).
- Christ made all things, heads the church, and makes believers complete in him (Colossians 1:15-18; 2:9-10).
- Believers put off harmful ways and put on mercy, forgiveness, love, prayer, and gracious speech (Colossians 3:5-17; 4:2-6).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What happened when believers heard about Paul's bonds?

Philippians 2:5-11

2. How did Christ show humility in Philippians 2?

Colossians 1:15-20

3. Paul could trust Christ when he had plenty and when he was hungry. When is it hardest for you to be content (Philippians 4:11-13)?

Philippians 4:11-13

MEMORY VERSE / Philippians 4:4

The call to rejoice follows Paul's appeal for agreement between Euodias and Syntyche and help for fellow laborers whose names are in the book of life (Philippians 4:2-4).

WEB

Rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, "Rejoice!"

KJV

Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.

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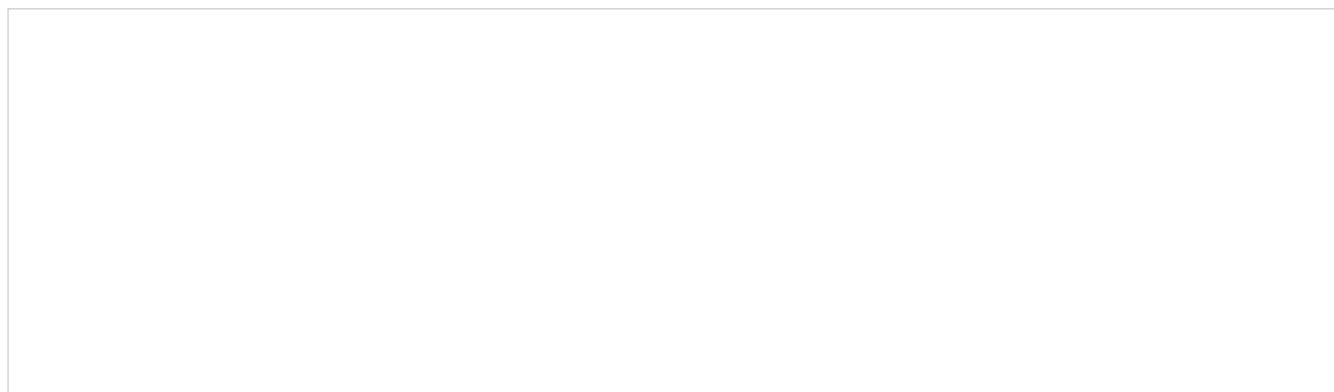
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WHAT I NOTICED

DRAW SOMETHING YOU WANT TO REMEMBER



ONE THING I WANT TO TRY

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1. Philippians 1-4

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MAIN POINTS

- Paul interpreted his bonds through the gospel's advance and the boldness of other believers (Philippians 1:12-20).
- Christ's servant obedience and exaltation shape the call to look to the concerns of others (Philippians 2:3-11).
- Fleshly credentials became loss beside knowing Christ, and Paul pressed on because he had not attained (Philippians 3:4-14).
- Thankful prayer, disciplined thought, practiced truth, and Christ-given strength belong to peace and contentment (Philippians 4:4-13).
- Christ's creation, headship, preeminence, and bodily fullness establish the completeness of believers in him (Colossians 1:15-20; 2:9-10).
- Risen life puts off the old practices and puts on renewed character, watchful prayer, wise conduct, and gracious speech (Colossians 3:1-17; 4:2-6).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Why do believers work out their salvation with fear and trembling?

Philippians 2:5-11

2. Why does Colossians 2 place completeness in Christ?

Colossians 1:15-20

3. Paul's strength in Philippians 4:13 belongs to both abundance and need. Which condition makes contentment hardest for you, and what faithful response could you practice?

Philippians 4:13

MEMORY VERSE / Philippians 4:13

Paul is describing learned contentment in both abasement and abundance, fullness and hunger. The verse names Christ's strength within those changing conditions (Philippians 4:10-13).

WEB

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

KJV

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

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Philippians & Colossians

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1. Philippians 1-4

2. Colossians 1-4

MAIN POINTS

- Paul's bonds serve gospel advance, while his life-or-death hope centers on Christ and the believers' progress (Philippians 1:12-26).
- Christ's servant form, obedience, and exaltation ground the church's lowliness of mind and care for others (Philippians 2:1-11).
- Paul treats confidence in the flesh as loss, pursues knowing Christ, and presses toward an uncompleted goal (Philippians 3:3-14).
- Unity, rejoicing, thankful prayer, worthy thought, learned practice, and contentment form one practical sequence (Philippians 4:2-13).
- Christ is creator, sustainer, head, reconciler, and bearer of divine fulness; no human system completes those already complete in him (Colossians 1:15-22; 2:8-10).
- Union with the risen Christ changes desires, conduct, shared worship, relationships, work, prayer, and public speech (Colossians 3:1-25; 4:2-6).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Paul rejoiced that Christ was preached even while his bonds and mixed preaching motives remained. What did his joy acknowledge, and what did it not deny (Philippians 1:12-20)?

Philippians 1:12-20

2. How does the movement from Philippians 2:3-4 into Christ's humility challenge both selfish ambition and passive concern?

Philippians 2:3-4

3. Paul learned contentment in sharply different conditions rather than receiving one easy circumstance. Where do your peace and identity still depend on getting the outcome you want (Philippians 4:11-13)?

Philippians 4:11-13

MEMORY VERSE / Philippians 4:6-7

After urging Euodias and Syntyche toward the same mind and calling the church to rejoice and show moderation, Paul directs anxiety into thankful prayer and describes God's guarding peace (Philippians 4:2-7).

WEB

In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

KJV

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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2. Colossians 1-4

MAIN POINTS

- Paul reads confinement through gospel advance and frames both continued life and desired departure around Christ and the church's progress (Philippians 1:12-26).
- The appeal to mutual concern is governed by Christ's servant form, cross-shaped obedience, exaltation, and confessed lordship (Philippians 2:1-11).
- Paul's former grounds for fleshly confidence become loss beside Christ, and his pursuit remains unfinished (Philippians 3:3-14).
- Agreement, rejoicing, thankful prayer, disciplined thought, faithful practice, learned contentment, and generous fellowship interlock in Philippians 4.
- Christ's relation to creation, church, resurrection, fullness, and reconciliation establishes both his preeminence and believers' completeness (Colossians 1:15-22; 2:9-10).
- Risen identity issues in mortification, renewal, charity, peace, word-filled worship, ordered relationships, watchful prayer, and gracious witness (Colossians 3:1-25; 4:2-6).

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Philippians 2:3-4

3. Paul's confession of strength belongs to learned contentment in abasement and abundance, fullness and hunger. Which condition exposes dependence on circumstances, and what practice from Philippians 4:4-13 would address it?

Philippians 4:4-13

MEMORY VERSE / Philippians 2:3-4

Paul has just called the believers to fulfill his joy through shared love and one accord. These verses explain lowliness of mind as esteeming others and looking beyond one's own concerns (Philippians 2:1-4).

WEB

doing nothing through rivalry or through conceit, but in humility, each counting others better than himself; each of you not just looking to his own things, but each of you also to the things of others.

KJV

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

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