

“THE JOYS OF CHRISTIANITY”

A STUDY OF PHILIPPIANS

CHAPTER 1

CHAPTER 2

CHAPTER 3

CHAPTER 4

Joy in Living for Christ

Joy in Serving Christ

Joy in Knowing Christ

Joy in Peace of Christ

Plan: The Joys of Christianity	1:1-11 = fellowship 1:12-20 = boldness 12:21-30 = faith	2:1-11 = servant 2:12-18 = lights in world 2:19-30 = character	3:1-16 = righteousness 3:17-21 = citizenship	4:1-9 = peace 4:10-23 = contentment
Christ is	... my Purpose of Life	... my Pattern of Life	... my Prize in Life	... my Power in Life
Paul’s appeal to	... having Conduct worthy of Gospel of Christ	... have the Mind of Christ	... have the Knowledge of Christ	... have the Peace of Christ
Topic	Experience	Examples	Exhortation	
Theme	Suffering	Submission	Salvation	Sanctification
Penman	Apostle Paul, written from prison in Rome, approx. AD62			
Period & Place	Paul in prison in Rome, - via Epaphroditus			
Public	The church at Philippi - to all Christians			
Provocation	Personal thank you letter, encouragement to beloved brethren for unity and humility			
Purpose	To teach that Jesus is the source of all blessings; the basis of unity and selfless love			
Panorama	Acts 16:9-15; prison; no OT citations; Epaphroditus; reflects the life of Paul			
Principle Passage	(2:5) “Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus”			
Principle Words	“Joy” (Greek: chara) 5x; “Rejoice” (Greek: chairo) 11x - found in every chapter			