

JOY AND FELLOWSHIP, Pt. 3 **Philippians 1:6**

Question of Today: Will church and worship ever be the same?

How can Paul have such joy in the middle of difficult situations? Paul reminds the Philippian church of doctrinal truths that lead to JOY AND FELLOWSHIP.

1. SAINTS IN CHRIST v. 1

Deuteronomy 14:2, Psalm 4:3, 1 Peter 2:9-10

a. RESCUED

b. REDEEMED

Ephesians 1:7-8, Galatians 4:3-7, Colossians 1:13-14, Romans 6:6, 16-18

c. JUSTIFIED

Romans 3:24 Titus 3:5-7

2. PARTAKERS OF GRACE v. 7

Romans 5:1-2, Romans 8:31

3. PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL v. 5, 7

MARKS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

a. Passionate PRAYER FOR ONE ANOTHER

b. Holding OTHERS CLOSE TO YOUR HEART

c. Doing the WORK OF THE GOSPEL

d. Willingness TO SACRIFICE FOR THE GOSPEL

4. CONFIDENCE IN _____

1. Who is accomplishing this work?

2. What is the work to be accomplished?

a. _____ of the believer

b. _____ of the believer

c. _____ of the gospel

3. When is it to be accomplished?

HARMONY HOMEWORK

05/10/20 – 05/16/20

1. Read through Philippians this week. Simply read one chapter two or three times each day. Before you read, ask the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom and understanding. During each days reading, have a pen or pencil handy to mark whatever stands out to you and chew on it (meditate) the rest of the day.

2. God works in us to complete our sanctification, but he does give us some responsibility. Growth doesn't happen by accident. It takes intention on our part. Paul gives us several action steps for us to do to be intentional in growing in our faith. Read through the passage below. Mark what we are to "put on" or "do" in one color and what we are to "put off" or "stop doing" with another color. Then pray through the passage asking God to help you put on and take off these things.

Colossians 3

3 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

¹² Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³ bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

