Philippians: Partnership Worthy of the Gospel A Survey of the Bible

Context: Who, Where, When, and Why?

- Who composed Philippians?
- Who was the original audience of Philippians?
- When and where was Philippians written?
- Why was Paul writing?

Content: How and What?

• How is Philippians organized?

Introduction to Partnership (1:1-30)

- Thanksgiving and Memory of Partnership (1:1-26)
- The Priority of Partnership: Standing Firm in Unity (1:27-30)

PARTNERSHIP MEANS STANDING TOGETHER IN UNITY (2:1-30)

- Unity Grows Out of Humility
- Humility Is Exemplified By Christ (2:6-11)
- Humility Is Exemplified By Timothy (2:12-24)
- Humility Is Exemplified By Epaphroditus (2:25-30)

PARTNERSHIP MEANS STANDING FIRM FOR THE GOSPEL (3:1-4:1)

- The Gospel Is Based In Standing Firm (2:1-30)
- Standing Firm Is Exemplified By Paul (3:1-21)

Applications of Partnership (4:2-23)

- Stand Unified in Truth (4:2-9)
- Partnership Appreciated (4:10-23)
- What is the message of Philippians?

Conviction: So What?

- Where does Philippians fit?
- Philippians is a deeply personal and heartfelt letter from Paul to a congregation that has supported him throughout his ministry. Most recently, this took place by them sending him a gift with Epaphroditus.
- Paul uses many real life examples to show the application of his two primary principles of Unity and Steadfastness. He uses the example of Jesus, Timothy, Epaphroditus, and his own life.
- Paul is grateful for their partnership and reminds them to keep it strong through humble unity and sturdy commitment to the truth of the gospel.
- What should we believe?
- Each of us have an important role to play in the life of the church.
- Our role may include suffering as we identify with Christ.
- Our primary identity should be as "citizens of heaven."
- How should we behave?
- Identified with Christ.
- Unified with others.
- Committed to the gospel of grace.

Next Steps

- I will humble myself to pursue unity around the gospel.
- I will stand firm for the truth of the gospel, even in the face of opposition.
- I will be faithful in my own financial partnership in the gospel.

This Week's Growth Guide

God's Word is both central and critical to your spiritual growth. We invite you to utilize the Growth Guide during the week to further your application of the Truth from the message.

- •. Monday Philippians 1
- •. Tuesday Philippians 2
- •. Wednesday Philippians 3
- •. Thursday Philippians 4
- •. Friday Acts 17:10-15

Finances

Weekly Budget 32,692 Giving For 04/14 19,249 Giving For 04/21 32,465 YTD Budget 1,405,769 Giving 1,492,178 OVER/(UNDER) 86,409

Fellowship on the Lawn | April 28 | 4:30 p.m.

Join us today at 4:30 PM for fellowship, fun, and food. Food trucks available as well as inflatables for the kids and Kona Ice will be served from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

New to Fellowship?

We are so glad that you chose to worship with our Fellowship Family this morning. If you are joining us for the first time or have been checking us out for a few weeks, we are excited you are here and would love to meet you. Please fill out the "Connect Card" and bring it to the Connection Center in the Atrium, we would love to say "hi" and give you a gift.

Invest in the Next Generation

We are wrapping up the school year and preparing to head into summer. We are ending our three-year journey through the Bible and we need you to help us do that. Our children are ready to learn about and worship Jesus. We have positions beginning in the nursery all the way up through fourth grade. Be a part of laying that foundation of faith for our kids. Contact Heather today at hmckinney@fellowshipconway.org">https://mxxx.nmail.org/html/>html/>hmckinney@fellowshipconway.org.

Women's Summer Study

Join us for "To the praise of His Glory," a six-week study of Ephesians led by Heather Harrison. The study is Tuesdays, starting June 4th, from 6-8:00 p.m. here at Fellowship. For child care, text Shanna at 501-336-0332. Register at <u>fellowshipconway.org/register</u>.

Vacation Bible School

We are kicking off VBS registration, as well as recruiting for all volunteer positions. VBS is for children currently in grades Kindergarten – 4th grade. For more information and to register, go to fellowshipconway.org/register. Dates for VBS are June 24-28. Cost is \$5 per child.

Baby Dedication

Fellowship loves partnering with parents to dedicate them to the Lord. Sunday, May 12th, during both services, we will have a time for parents to dedicate their children and be prayed over by Ken. If you would like to have your children dedicated, email Lisa at lgerdes@fellowshipconway.org. Please include what service you would like.

Fellowship 101

We invite you to join us on Sunday, June 9, at 9:00 a.m. to learn more about Fellowship. This is a great opportunity to hear about our mission, values, and our ministries. If you're new to Fellowship, join us in the conference room (first floor) to hear what God is doing and where He is taking us. During this time, you will meet some of our ministry leaders and get to ask questions. Register at <u>fellowshipconway.org/register</u>.

Life Choices Change For Life

Each year Life Choices, our local pregnancy resource center, assists hundreds of women in choosing Life for their baby. Join with them by picking up a baby bottle next Sunday, May 12 filling it with change (or checks made out to Life Choices) and returning them Sunday, June 2.