

Philippians: Having the Mind of Christ

A. Helpful information about the book of Philippians

1. Some key facts
2. Who wrote the book and who was it written to?
3. When was it written?
4. Where was it written from/to?
5. What?
Main subject(s)

Literary style or genre
6. Why was it written?
 - I. Thank them for their _____ (4:15-17)
 - II. Tell them of his (Paul's) love for them and _____ them to live a lifestyle of joy (4:1-4)
 - a. To grow in love by knowledge and discernment (1:9)
 - b. To be humble (2:3-9)
 - c. To reject false teaching (3:1-3,9)
 - d. To be unified (4:1-2)
 - III. Encourage them in their _____ (1:27-28)
 - IV. Warn them of those who would _____ their _____ (3:2)

B. An Alliteration Outline

1. Chapter 1: For living joyfully we need the right **perspective**

Even in a negative situation our perspective should be, knowing God is working it

out for the _____ of the Gospel (1:12)

Confident expectation of God's _____ (1:19)

Jesus Christ is to be our _____ (1:21)

2. Chapter 2: For serving with joy we need the right **philosophy**

_____ serving others (2:3-4)

Examples:

3. Chapter 3: For sharing joy we need the right **purpose**

To rejoice in _____, and not be _____ (3:3)

That I may _____ Him (3:10)

4. Chapter 4: for resting with joy we need the right **power source**

_____ to God (4:6b)

By _____ on Godly things (4:8-9)

By _____ we can do all things through _____ who
strengthens us (4:13)