

Practice These Things

“The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you” (Philippians 4:9).

Concern for Each Other

- *“For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more” (1:8-9).*
- *“I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord. I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in the cause of the gospel, and the rest of my fellow workers” (4:2-3).*

Striving for Perfection

- *“Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect . . .” (3:12a)*
- *“ . . . but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. One thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (12b-14).*

Love for the Lost

- *“My imprisonment in the cause of Christ has become well known throughout the whole praetorian guard and to everyone else . . . that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or death” (1:13, 20).*
- *“I have become all things to all men, so that by all means, I might save some” (1 Cor. 9:22).*

Rejoice in Suffering

- *“My circumstances have turned out for the greater progress of the gospel . . . and that most of the brethren, trusting in the Lord because of my imprisonment, have far more courage to speak the word of God without fear . . . in this I rejoice” (1:12, 14, 18).*
- *“Even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all. You too, rejoice in the same way” (2:17).*

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