

Philippians 1:1-2

Author (v. 1):

Paul

Slave of Christ

Audience (v. 1):

All the saints in Philippi

Including overseers and deacons

Address (v. 2):

Grace

Peace

Overview of letter:

Key phrase – Live worthy of the Gospel of Christ

Gospel

Jesus

Themes

Joy

Unity

Application of Phil 1:1-2

Are you a committed slave of Christ? What does it mean to be a slave?

Is there an overseer or deacon in this church you can encourage or thank?

Do you seek to grow in your knowledge of God's grace and peace?

In what ways does your life revolve around Christ?

In what ways does your life not revolve around Christ?

In what ways can you further allow Christ to become your life? E.g. attend a Bible study, commit to regular daily time reading the Bible, deal with a sin issue in your life?

Do you live with God's joy during challenges? If not, will you commit to praying for God's Spirit to give you joy (Gal 5:22) and memorize Phil 4:4

Are you committed to unity in the church?

- E.g. Are there relationships you have with people in the church that need to be reconciled?
- How can you strive to be of the same mind and love and in full accord with one another (Phil 2:2?)

Reading this week: Read through Acts 16 to be familiar with the church plant in Philippi. Read through the whole book of Philippians (4 chapters) each day to get a basic idea of the whole book.