

# Rejoice in the Lord

## The Book of Philippians

### Acts 20; Philippians 1:1-11

What happens between Paul's time at Philippi (Acts 16) and his writing of Philippians?

Acts 16 (AD _____)	Acts 20 (AD _____)	Philippians (AD _____)
Thessalonica		
Berea		
Athens		
Corinth _____		
Antioch		
Ephesus _____		
Macedonia		
Greece _____		
Philippi		
	Troas	
	Miletus	
	Ephesus	
	Jerusalem	
	Caesarea	
	Rome _____	

Where is Luke during Acts 16-Acts 20?

It appears that Luke \_\_\_\_\_ in Philippi. (Acts 20:5)

- Even though not an \_\_\_\_\_, Luke has an important role in the establishing of the new church at Philippi.
- What does Luke not write about during this time?

Where was Paul at the time of his writing this letter to the Philippians?

Paul was imprisoned in Rome. (Acts 28:16,30-31)

- Allowed to dwell in his own place (with a guard).
- He had to \_\_\_\_\_ for his own dwelling.
- He was allowed to have \_\_\_\_\_.

Authors: Paul and Timothy

What title does Paul give himself and Timothy? Bondservants of Jesus Christ

A Bondservant is:

- A \_\_\_\_\_
- Defined as "devoted to another to the disregard of one's own interests."
- Exemplified by Jesus Christ Himself (Philippians 2:7)
- A servant's life is \_\_\_\_\_ but is not a \_\_\_\_\_ position.

What would our lives look like if we lived truly as a bondservant of Jesus Christ?

- Start out each day saying... \_\_\_\_\_
- Pause during the day to say... \_\_\_\_\_
- End the day saying... \_\_\_\_\_

To: The saints, bishops/overseers, and deacons

Elder, Bishop (Overseer), and Pastor (Shepherd) are interchangeably used for one role (1 Peter 5:1-2)

Paul was thankful and had joy **every time** he thought about and prayed for the Philippians!

- Their fellowship in the gospel.
  - A \_\_\_\_\_
  - One that has lasted the test of time.
  - It could indicate their partnership with Paul \_\_\_\_\_.
  - It could indicate their own \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
  - It could indicate their own participating in defending the gospel.
- He was confident that God was going to complete His work in and through them.

Paul prayed for them.

- Love
  1. Love that abounds in \_\_\_\_\_ amounts
  2. Love that has knowledge
  3. Love that is discerning
    - See Amos 5:15; Luke 6:35
- Sincere \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- Blameless
- Fruits, a result of their righteousness by \_\_\_\_\_.
- That their lives would bring glory and praise to God.