

Philippians 1:1-2

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# Bond Servant - doulos (δοῦλος)

"This letter is from Paul and Timothy, slaves of Christ Jesus. I am writing to all of God's holy people in Philippi who belong to Christ Jesus, including the church leaders and deacons.

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace (charis - χάρις) and peace (shalom - שׁלום)"

Philippians 1:1-2

#### Total Devotion and Surrender

"I will in no way be ashamed but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."

Philippians 1:20-21

### Ownership by Christ

"Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ... For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him"

Philippians 1:27,29

"Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body."

1 Corinthian 6:19-20

# Humility and Identity

"...in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus."

Philippians 2:3-5

#### Service to God's Mission

"I want you to know... that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel... it has become clear... that I am in chains for Christ....The important thing is that in every way... Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice" Philippians 1:13-18

# • Freedom in Slavery

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:4, 11-13

### MINDSET in 2025 - 5 Focused Prayer Requests

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

**Discussion Question:** What does it look like to be a modern-day servant of Christ? What demonstrates to others in your community that you belong to Jesus?