

OVERVIEW OF THE BOOK



PAUL, THE AUTHOR

- writing from prison, facing possible execution
- his message has reached all of Rome
- has deep affection for the Philippians
- thanking them for their generosity

THE CITY OF PHILIPPI

- a town in northern greece made up of both Jews and Gentiles, mostly lowerclass.
- also occupied by wealthier Romans who were there to colonize, bringing the culture of Rome
- very culturally, religiously, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse

THE CHURCH IN PHILIPPI

- Likely the first church established by Paul on his missionary journeys
- Experiences conflict and division

THEMES OF THE LETTER

- Joy and rejoicing, even in suffering
- Advancement of the Gospel,
 specifically through unity and holiness
- Longing for the return of Christ

ILS LA WEEK 1

READ & OBSERVE

- Philippians 1:3-11
- Galatians 5:22-23
- 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

INTERPRET & APPLY

- How is the work of the Holy Spirit implied throughout these verses?
- What fruit would you hope to see more of in your life by living in the reality of Christ's return?
 - For Paul, prayer was a central form of partnership in the gospel. How can your prayer life more fully reflect that conviction? What are the obstacles to doing this?

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