Kingdom partnership: Overview of Philippians

I. Date

II. Background

   A. The City of Philippi

   B. The Church at Philippi

III. Purpose: Three practical reasons

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IV. Outline

1) Salutation (1:1-2)

2) Thanksgiving & prayer for the Philippians’ Gospel Partnership (1:3-11)

3) Paul’s Present Circumstances as a model of gospel Partnership (1:12-26)

4) Practical Instructions in contending for gospel partnership (1:27–2:30)
   a) Living Boldly as Citizens of Heaven (1:27–2:30)
   b) Living Humbly as Servants of Christ (2:1-11)
   c) Living Obediently as Children of God (2:12-18)
   d) Examples of Humble Servants (2:19-30)

5) The enemies of gospel partnership (3:1-6)

6) The Goal of Gospel partnership: Heaven through preserving in suffering (3:7-4:1)

7) Exhortations to gospel partnership (4:2-13)

8) Thankfulness for gospel partnership (4:10-20)

9) Final Greetings (4:21-23)

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V. Major Themes

A. A love that grows in the imitation of Christ
   - Paul’s prayers as a model for our own.

B. A love marked by humility

C. A love marked by perseverance

D. A love marked by contented joy