

# Philippians Chapter 1

written in 62AD; 9<sup>th</sup> year of Nero (Adam Clarke)

**1** Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: **2** Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

**3** I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, **4** Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, **5** For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now; **6** Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ: **7** Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. **8** For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. **9** And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all judgment; **10** That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; **11** Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

*final chorus:*

***Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,  
In the light of His glory and grace.***

## Serving with Spotless Strategy – Philippians 1:1-21

### 1. IDENTITY — *Who I belong to*

**Slaves • Saints • Servants** (vv. 1–2)

Check words that best describes how you see yourself today:

- Belonging** to Christ
- Set apart** for Christ
- Serving** for Christ

👉  *One word that describes my service right now:* \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. INITIATIVE — *Who is at work in me*

**Specific Satisfied Strategy** (v. 6)

- God **began** the work
- God is **continuing** the work
- God will **complete** the work

👉  *Where do I most need confidence in God's work?* \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. IMPACT — *What my life displays*

**Solid Spotless Sincerity** (vv. 10–11)

**A life that is sincere and fruitful**

- Growing** in discernment
- Living** without offense
- Bearing** fruit through Christ

👉  *One small step of obedience this week:* \_\_\_\_\_