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PHILIPPIANS 1:21

“For to me, **TO LIVE IS CHRIST** and to die is gain.”

PHILIPPIANS 3:3

“ . . .for we are the *true* circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and **PUT NO CONFIDENCE IN THE FLESH**”

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8

“Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,⁷ but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men.⁸ Being found in appearance as a man, **HE HUMBLED HIMSELF BY BECOMING OBEDIENT TO THE POINT OF DEATH**, even death on a cross.”

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14

“Not that I have already obtained *it* or have already become perfect, but **I PRESS ON** so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.¹³ Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead,¹⁴ **I PRESS ON TOWARD THE GOAL** for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

PHILIPPIANS 4:11-13

“Not that I speak from want, for **I HAVE LEARNED TO BE CONTENT IN WHATEVER CIRCUMSTANCES I AM.**¹² I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.¹³ I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.”

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

“*For I am* confident of this very thing, that **HE WHO BEGAN A GOOD WORK IN YOU WILL PERFECT IT** until the day of Christ Jesus.”

2 THESSALONIANS 3:3-4

“But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil *one*.⁴ **WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD CONCERNING YOU. . .**”

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-18

“Now I want you to know, brethren, that my circumstances have turned out for the greater progress of the gospel,¹³ so that my imprisonment in *the cause of* Christ has become well known throughout the whole praetorian guard and to everyone else,¹⁴ and that most of the brethren, trusting in the Lord because of my imprisonment, have far more courage to speak the word of God without fear.¹⁵ Some, to be sure, are preaching Christ even from envy and strife, but some also from good will;¹⁶ the latter *do it* out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel;¹⁷ the former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition rather

than from pure motives, thinking to cause me distress in my imprisonment. ¹⁸ What then? **ONLY THAT IN EVERY WAY, WHETHER IN PRETENSE OR IN TRUTH, CHRIST IS PROCLAIMED; AND IN THIS I REJOICE. YES, AND I WILL REJOICE,**”

DANIEL 4:35

“All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, but He does according to His will in the host of heaven

And *among* the inhabitants of earth; and no one can ward off His hand or say to Him, ‘What have You done?’

PSALM 33:11

“The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart from generation to generation.”

PSALM 135:6

“Whatever the LORD pleases, He does, In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps.”

2 TIMOTHY 2:8-9

“Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descendant of David, according to my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship even to imprisonment as a criminal; **BUT THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT IMPRISONED.**”

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PHILIPPIANS 4:22

“All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar’s household.”

PHILIPPIANS 1:15-18

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PHILIPPIANS 1:19-24

“for I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, ²⁰ according to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but *that* with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²² But if *I am* to live *on* in the flesh, this *will mean* fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. ²³ But I am hard-pressed from both *directions*, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for *that* is very much better; ²⁴ yet to remain on in the flesh is more necessary for your sake.”

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I HAVE EARNEST EXPECTATION

(Philippians 1:20)

I have not the strength or courage for the storms I still must face;

I have not the least endurance for the last lap of the race!

But I do not fear the future! What I have, I'll share with you,

I have earnest expectation that the Lord will see me through!

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I have earnest expectation; I can any trial bear,

I have hope of grace sufficient, anytime and anywhere.

As my day, the Lord has promised, so my strength shall surely be

I have earnest expectation that the Lord will rescue me!

Not before the sore temptation, will the way to flee, appear.

He will walk upon the water when the tempest is severe.

Grace is not like earthly treasure, which a man can keep in store.

God dispenses grace from Heaven when you need it--not before!

Why then, should my heart be anxious? Why torment myself with care?

I have earnest expectation! When I need Him, He'll be there!

Every saint can share a story, how by grace, they have prevailed.

They all sing this testimony, "Jesus Christ has never failed!"