

The Book of Philippians

A study using 18 questions per chapter
The purpose of this study is to find out
What the Bible says.



THE WORD FOR THE WORLD
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INSTRUCTIONS

or suggestions as to how to conduct this study.

I can only suggest how this study was originally conducted and it was very successful. First of all, we tried to arrange a very informal atmosphere with the folks sitting in a loose circle. We would begin the session by having tea, or cokes and an informal time of fellowship. Then we would have a prayer time with everyone suggesting names of those for whom we should pray. It was also mentioned each session that we expected that each individual have at least one person for whom they would agree to pray for in regards to that person's salvation.

To actually begin the study the entire chapter would be read aloud with each one willing to read, taking the number of verses and dividing it by the number of people present and each one reading a portion.

Then the first one on the left (a habit of mine) would begin by reading the first question and giving their answer. The verse where their answer was found must also be given. Then the leader asks if everybody agrees. Let discussion carry on as necessary but not too long. Then go to the next question and the next person until all of the fifteen questions are answered.

For the discussion questions (numbers 16-17-18) each person present should give their answer once again going from the first one on the left and so on. Answer one question at a time, with each person present giving their reasons for their answer to each question. Discussion can be long or short depending on how the group feels. Do not carry the class session on too long.

Encourage each one to prepare his answers BEFORE the session begins if at all possible only because they will get more out of the discussion if they have thought about it.

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PHILIPPIANS - Chapter 1
SHORT ANSWERS

1. To whom was this letter written? _____. Verse _____
2. What is it that Paul says God can testify to, with regard to him? _____. Verse _____
3. What does Paul call the 'IMPORTANT' thing? _____. Verse _____
4. For what did Paul eagerly accept and hope? _____. Verse _____
5. What had been granted to them on behalf of Christ? _____. Verse _____

TRUE OR FALSE
(Put T or F in one blank and the verse in the other)

6. _____ Paul prayed with joy that their love might abound.
7. _____ The chains hindered Paul from preaching the Word.
8. _____ Paul was convinced that he would soon die.
9. _____ Paul was convinced of the unity in the Philippian church.
10. _____ Worthy conduct will be a sign to those who oppose the Philippians.

YES OR NO
(Put a "Y" or a "N" in one blank and the verse in the other)

11. _____ Was Paul convinced that a good work begun in them would never be completed?
12. _____ Is discernment of what is best, a result of prayer?
13. _____ Can a person preach Christ being filled with selfish ambition?
14. _____ Did Paul desire to go to Christ (to die)?
15. _____ Were the Philippian Christians suffering as Paul had suffered?

THINK FOR YOURSELF

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17. What is the key verse and why do you think so?
18. What did you learn from this chapter?

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PHILIPPIANS - Chapter 2
SHORT ANSWERS

1. How would the Philippians make Paul's joy complete? _____
_____. Verse _____
2. How did Christ humble himself? (1) _____
(2) _____ (3) _____ Verse _____
3. Who is it that works in us to will and to act according to his good purpose? _____
_____. Verse _____
4. What did Paul say they should do so he could boast about them? _____
_____. Verse _____
5. Who was going to come to them soon? _____
_____. Verse _____

TRUE OR FALSE
(Put T or F in one blank and the verse in the other)

6. _____ Paul says they should look only on the interest of others.
7. _____ God is the one who exalted Jesus.
8. _____ Every person will eventually confess that Jesus is Lord.
9. _____ Paul says he was going to pour out a drink offering.
10. _____ The Philippians sent an offering to Paul.

YES OR NO
(Put a "Y" or a "N" in one blank and the verse in the other)

11. _____ Is fear (respect) and trembling necessary to salvation?
12. _____ Should we complain or argue?
13. _____ Do Christians give out light?
14. _____ Did Timothy take a genuine interest in the Philippians?
15. _____ Did Paul become ill and almost die?

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PHILIPPIANS - Chapter 3
SHORT ANSWERS

1. Who is Paul warning them against? (1) _____
(2) _____ and (3) _____ Verse _____
2. What reasons did Paul have for confidence in the flesh? _____
_____. Verse _____
3. What would Paul rather know? (1) _____
(2) _____ (3) _____. Verse _____
4. How should mature Christians live? _____
_____. Verse _____
5. Where is the Christian's citizenship? _____. Verse _____

TRUE OR FALSE
(Put T or F in one blank and the verse in the other)

6. _____ If you glory in Christ you cannot put any confidence in the flesh.
7. _____ Paul was never circumcised.
8. _____ Paul says he wants to fellowship with Christ in his sufferings.
9. _____ Paul still considers the Philippians as babes in Christ.
10. _____ To be earthly minded is alright as long as you confess Jesus as Lord.

YES OR NO
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11. _____ Does Paul have confidence in the flesh?
12. _____ Does righteousness come by faith?
13. _____ Did Paul say he had reached perfection?
14. _____ Are we responsible to live up to what we know?
15. _____ Does Paul believe that our bodies will be changed when Christ returns?

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PHILIPPIANS - Chapter 4
SHORT ANSWERS

1. What problem existed between Euodia and Syntyche? _____
_____. Verse _____
2. What part does anxiety play in a Christian's life? _____
_____. Verse _____
3. What things ought we to think upon? _____
_____. Verse _____
4. How did the Philippians show their concern for Paul? _____
_____. Verse _____
5. Who sent greetings in this letter? _____
_____. Verse _____

TRUE OR FALSE
(Put T or F in one blank and the verse in the other)

6. _____ Women had worked side by side with Paul.
7. _____ Paul thought Jesus was returning soon.
8. _____ Paul says that he could be content now that they had sent a gift to him.
9. _____ This was at least the second time they had sent a gift.
10. _____ Epaphroditus brought their gift and is now returning to them.

YES OR NO
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11. _____ Does Paul consider the Philippian Christians his crown?
12. _____ Does God keep a book in which are the names of his children are written?
13. _____ Is concern shown in action?
14. _____ Was Paul pleased that they sent him a gift?
15. _____ Is Paul convinced that their needs will be met?

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