

Philippians Chapter 4

As I was doing research on Chapter 4 I came across this outline on the internet. I liked the two tables that are used here so we are going to use them also. This is taken from the web site "free online bible study"

1. Read verse one. Exactly how are the Philippians to stand and what is the "therefore" there for?

2. Paul describes a situation in verses 2 and 3.

- What is the problem?
- What solution is proposed?
- How is the church motivated to solve the problem?

3. What does it mean to have one's name written in the Book of Life? (See Rev 20:11-15 and 21:9-27)?

Look at the table below. The word "joy" occurs six times in the Book of Philippians and the word "rejoice" eight times. From looking at each occurrence given below, what are three things the Philippians told to do with joy, and what 4 causes are the Philippians given to rejoice or be joyful?

Ch	Vs	Scripture from the Book of Philippians
1	4	In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy
1	18	But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice
1	25	Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith
1	26	so that through my being with you again your joy in Christ Jesus will overflow on account of me
2	2	then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose

2	7	But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you
2	18	So you too should be glad and rejoice with me
2	29	Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him
3	1	Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you
4	1	Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!
4	4	Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!
4	10	I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it

4. Paul exhorts the Philippians to think on seven things in verse eight shown below. What about you? What can you or could you think about? Fill in the table below.

	Things I can think about that are true, noble, right, pure, admirable, excellent or praiseworthy
True	
Noble	
Right	
Pure	
Admirable	
Excellent	
Praiseworthy	

5. Do you think Paul experienced God's peace that surpasses all understanding that he speaks about in verse 7? Why or why not?

6. What peace do Christians enjoy that unbelievers do not?