

Philippians

Chapter 1 (1 - 9)

From Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the believers in the Church at Philippi.

We wish you the grace and peace of God our Father and of the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank God whenever I think of you. Every time I pray for you, I pray with joy, remembering how you helped to spread the Good News. You have a permanent place in my heart. God knows how much I miss you. I love you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other will increase more and more, helping you always to know what is good and to avoid what is bad.

Jesus, thank you for all the people who have a permanent place in my heart

Chapter 1 (13 - 25)

My chains have become famous and have given courage to many other believers. Many others are now becoming more daring in announcing the Message without fear. I hope and trust that I will always have courage for Christ to be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. My heart wants to go two ways. One part wants to depart this world and live for ever with Christ in heaven. The other part wants to stay in this world to help more people to know the Lord.

Jesus, give me courage to spread the Good News