

Paul's Letter to the Philippians

A Workbook Commentary

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Philippians

When was the church at Philippi established? _____

Act 16:12 and from there to Philippi, which is a _____ city of the district of Macedonia, a Roman colony; and we were staying in this city for some days. (13) And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to a _____, where we were supposing that there would be a place of prayer; and we sat down and began speaking to the women who had assembled.

How many times did Paul visit Philippi? _____

Act 20:1 After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the _____, and when he had exhorted them and taken his leave of them, he left to go to Macedonia. (2) When he had gone through those districts and had given them much exhortation, he came to _____. (3) And there he spent three months, and when a plot was formed against him by the Jews as he was about to set sail for Syria, he decided to return through Macedonia.

1Th 2:2 but after we had already suffered and been _____ in Philippi, as you know, we had the boldness in our God to speak to you the gospel of God amid much opposition.

Where was the letter written? _____

Phi 1:7 For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my _____ and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me. 8 For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the _____ of Christ Jesus.

Phi 1:13 so that my imprisonment in the cause of Christ has become well known throughout the whole _____ guard and to everyone else,

Phi 4:21 Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you. (22) All the saints greet you, especially those of _____ household.

We have two choices as to the time of writing – during his first imprisonment or his second.

The first imprisonment is dated at A.D. 62-63

Act 28:16 When we entered Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who was _____ him.

Act 28:30 And he stayed two full years in his own rented quarters and was welcoming all who came to him, (31) _____ the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.

The second is dated at A.D. 66-68.

2Ti 4:16 At my first defense no one supported me, but all deserted me; may it not be counted against them. (17) But the Lord _____ with me and strengthened me, so that through me the proclamation might be fully accomplished, and that all the Gentiles might hear; and I was rescued out of the _____ mouth.

The decision as to the time of writing is based on his statement at v. 13 and the length of time of his imprisonment.

Phi 1:13 so that my _____ in the cause of Christ has become well known throughout the whole praetorian guard and to everyone else,

Phi 2:22 But you know of his proven worth, that he served with me in the furtherance of the gospel like a child _____ his father. (23) Therefore I hope to send him immediately, as soon as I see how things go with me; (24) and I trust in the Lord that I myself also will be coming shortly. (25) But I thought it _____ to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger and minister to my need;

This places the writing at AD 62-63.

What had the Philippian church done for Paul? _____

Phi 4:14 Nevertheless, you have done well to share with me in my affliction. (15) You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first _____ of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; (16) for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs. (17) Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which _____ to your account. (18) But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

During what period had they done this? _____

Act 17:13 But when the Jews of _____ found out that the word of God had been proclaimed by Paul in Berea also, they came there as well, agitating and stirring up the crowds. (14) Then _____ the brethren sent Paul out to go as far as the sea; and Silas and Timothy remained there. (15) Now those who escorted Paul brought him as far as Athens; and receiving a command for Silas and Timothy to come to him as soon as possible, they left.

This is about 12 years prior to the writing of this epistle.

The Philippian church had also been active in the support of their brethren in need.

2Co 8:1 Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of _____ (2) that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality. (3) For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, they gave of their own accord, (4) begging us with much urging for the favor of _____ in the support of the saints,

What date can be placed on this contribution? _____

Philippians 1

Phi 1:1 Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, including the overseers and deacons:

Scripturally organized churches have overseers (KJV - bishops), deacons and saints.

Are all churches in the New Testament “scripturally organized”? _____

Tit 1:5 For this reason I left you in _____, that you would set in order what remains and appoint elders in every city as I directed you,

What else are overseers called? _____

Act 20:17 From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church.

Act 20:28 "Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to _____ the church of God which He _____ with His own blood.

Eph 4:11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as _____, and some as pastors and teachers,

What is the overseer's work? _____

Jer 3:14 'Return, O faithless sons,' declares the LORD; 'For I am a master to you, And I will take you one from a city and two from a family, And I will bring you to Zion.' (15) "Then I will give you _____ after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and _____.

What is the deacon's work? _____

Act 6:2 So the twelve summoned the congregation of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable for us to _____ the word of God in order to serve tables. (3) "Therefore, brethren, select from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Spirit and of

wisdom, whom we may put in charge of this task. (4) "But we will _____ ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

διακονεῖν – diakoneia Greek translated “serve” at v. 2

διακονία – diakonia Greek translated “ministry” at v. 4

διακόνοις – diakonois Greek translated deacon at Phi 1:1

deacons – a servants, a minister (of physical or spiritual things Acts 6:2, 4 above)

1Co 3:5 What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? _____ through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one.

2Co 3:5 Not that we are adequate in ourselves to consider anything as coming from ourselves, but our _____ is from God, (6) who also made us adequate as _____ of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

A question arises about the distinction of an office held in the church for which qualifications are given for both deacons and their wives in 1 Tim 3:8-13 and whether others may serve in an official capacity. Phoebe (Rom 16:1) is also referred to as a servant (female) of the church in Cenchrea but as no qualifications matching the ones given for men are presented, we recognize her as a servant as the term is generally used in Mt 22:13 (Gr. diakonos).

Mat 22:13 "Then the king said to the _____, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Phi 1:2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (3) I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, (4) always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, (5) in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now.

What is grace? _____

What participation did the Philippians have with Paul? _____

Phi 4:15 You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left _____, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; (16) for even in _____ you sent a gift more than once for my needs.

Phi 2:1 Therefore if there is any _____ in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion,

2Co 8:4 begging us with much urging for the favor of _____ in the support of the saints,

2Co 9:13 Because of the proof given by this _____, they will glorify God for your obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ and for the liberality of your _____ to them and to all,

1Co 10:16 Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a _____ in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

How does the KJV translate “participation”? _____

Phi 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.

The day of the Lord (*achri hemeras Christou Iesou*)

Phi 1:10 so that you may approve the things that are _____ in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ;

1Th 5:2 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a _____ in the night.

2Th 1:10 when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be _____ at among all who have believed--for our testimony to you was believed.

2Th 2:2 that you not be quickly shaken from your _____ or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

1Co 3:13 each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with _____, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work.

2Co 1:14 just as you also partially did understand us, that we are your reason to be proud as you also are ours, in the day of our Lord Jesus.

Not “the Lord's day” (*entei kuriakei hemerai*). Literally “the day belonging to the Lord” with the Greek *kuriakos* from which we get the English word “church” derived from the German “kirke”.

Rev 1:10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like the sound of a _____,

Phi 1:7 For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me.

What is “grace”? _____

Is this God's grace as the NIV states or is it the Philippian's kindness? _____
(In what does Paul say they share with him in this verse? _____)

Phi 1:8 For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Phi 1:8 For God is my witness how I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.(KJV)

Bowels (KJV) are thought by the ancients to be the seat of affections - thus, affection, tender mercy (ASV). When you hear of someone being terribly hurt, what reaction do you have that would suggest this usage? _____

Phi 1:9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and [in] all judgment;

How is love shown in judgment? _____

Joh 7:24 "Do not judge according to _____, but judge with righteous judgment."

How is love shown in knowledge? _____

2Ti 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself _____ to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.

Heb 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be _____, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food. (13) For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. (14) But solid food is for the mature, who because of _____ have their senses trained to discern good and evil.

Phi 1:10 so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ;

How do we know what things are excellent? _____

1Th 5:21 prove all things; hold _____ that which is good;

Phi 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are _____, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are _____, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. (9) The things which ye both learned and received and heard and saw in me, these things do: and the God of _____ shall be with you.

You can't approve excellence without using love in knowledge and judgment as shown in God's word nor can you be sincere and blameless.

1Pe 1:22 Since you have in _____ to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, (23) for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but _____ that is, through the living and enduring word of God. (24) For, "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, (25) BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the word which was _____ to you.

Phi 1:11 having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

What is the fruit of righteousness? _____

How does it differ from the fruit of the Spirit? _____

Gal 5:22 But the _____ of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, (23) gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. (24) Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have _____ the flesh with its passions and desires. (25) If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Phi 1:12 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.

How do good things result from bad events? _____

Phi 4:22 All the _____ greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

Rom 8:28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called _____ to His purpose.

Act 5:34 But a Pharisee named _____ a teacher of the Law, respected by all the people, stood up in the Council and gave orders to put the men outside for a short time. (35) And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you propose to do with these men. (36) "For some time ago _____ rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a group of about four hundred men joined up with him. But he was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. (37) "After this man, _____ of Galilee rose up in the days of the census and drew away some people after him; he too perished, and all those who followed him were scattered. (38) "So in the present case, I say to you, stay away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or action is of men, it will be overthrown; (39) but if it is of God, you will not be able to _____ them; or else you may even be found

fighting against God." (40) They took his advice; and after calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and then _____ them.

Is Gamaliel's advice always true? _____

Would Gamaliel's advice have been good for Hitler and Germany? _____

Phi 1:14 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.

What is courage? _____

What ways do we have to give us courage? _____

What examples do we have in the Scriptures which give us courage? _____

How many examples of courage does the Hebrew writer give in Hebrews 11? _____

Phi 1:15 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.

How many were preaching? _____

Act 8:4 Therefore, those who had been _____ went about preaching the word.

Why did Paul preach the gospel? _____

Gal 2:2 It was because of a _____ that I went up; and I submitted to them the gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but I did so in private to those who were of reputation, for fear that I might be _____, or had run, in vain.

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the _____, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

Phi 1:18 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,

What is our attitude toward preachers to be? _____

Do some preach just for the money? _____

1Co 15:10 But by the _____ of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me. (11) Whether then it was I or they, so we _____ and so you believed.

1Co 3:5 What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? _____ through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one. (6) I planted, Apollos _____, but God was causing the growth. (7) So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.

Phi 1:19 for I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

Luk 1:68 "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, For He has _____ us and accomplished redemption for His people, (69) And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of David His servant-- (70) As He spoke by the mouth of His holy _____ from of old-- (71) Salvation FROM OUR ENEMIES, And FROM THE HAND OF ALL WHO HATE US;

Does Paul mean this physically or spiritually? _____
(consider the verses below as you answer)

Phi 1:20 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.

Rom 8:28 And we know that God causes all _____ to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His _____.

The KJV says Christ must be magnified where the NAS has exalted. How can we exalt Christ in our lives? _____

Rom 12:1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the _____ of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. (2) And do not be conformed to this world, but be _____ by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

1Co 6:18 Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man _____ is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. (19) Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? (20) For you have been bought with a _____: therefore glorify God in your body.

Act 20:34 "You yourselves know that these hands _____ to my own needs and to the men who were with me. (35) "In everything I showed you that by _____ hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Act 21:13 Then Paul answered, "What are you doing, _____ and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be _____, but even to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."

Phi 1:21 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.

Why did Paul want to remain on the earth? _____

When we pray for someone to be healed, what should our motivation be? _____

Jam 4:3 You ask and do not _____, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures. (4) You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an _____ of God.

2Co 5:6 Therefore, being always of good _____, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord-- (7) for we walk by faith, not by sight-- (8) we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord. (9) Therefore we also have as our _____, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him. (10) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be _____ for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

How can we walk by faith and not by sight? _____

How does maturity help us in our life in Christ? _____

2Ti 4:6 For I am already being poured out as a drink _____, and the time of my departure has come. (7) I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; (8) in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His _____.

Phi 1:22 But if I live in the flesh, this [is] the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not. (KJV)

Did you know what “wot” meant before you looked it up in a different version? _____

The KJV uses “conversation” in v. 25, what does this mean in the modern language? _____

To understand the KJV, you must either have an extensive religious background or a graduate degree in English. What percentage of people in the world have these? _____

Did the disciples need to be reminded that this world is not all there is? _____

Joh 14:1 "Do not let your heart be _____; believe in God, believe also in Me. (2) "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. (3) "If I go and _____ a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also. (4) "And you know the way where I am going." (5) Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we _____ the way?" (6) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the _____ but through Me.

1Co 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be _____, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your _____ is not in vain in the Lord.

Phi 1:25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy in the faith, (26) so that your proud confidence in me may abound in Christ Jesus through my coming to you again.

Do we have evidence that Paul's confidence was not misplaced? _____
(See discussion at beginning of this workbook.)

Phi 1:27 Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

What is a manner that would be worthy? _____

Eph 4:1 Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, _____ you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

1Co 11:1 Be _____ of me, just as I also am of Christ.

Rev 2:10 'Do not fear what you are about to _____. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, so that you will be tested, and you will have _____ for ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.'

Rev 3:4 'But you have a few people in _____ who have not soiled their garments; and they will walk with Me in white, for they are _____.'

1Co 11:27 Therefore whoever eats the _____ or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. (28) But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (29) For he who eats

and drinks, eats and drinks _____ to himself if he does not judge the body rightly. (30) For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and a number sleep. (31) But if we judged ourselves rightly, we would not be judged. (32) But when we are _____, we are disciplined by the Lord so that we will not be _____ along with the world.

Phi 1:28 in no way alarmed by your opponents--which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and that too, from God. (29) For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, (30) experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

What is the most common suffering we have in this country? _____

Act 14:22 strengthening the souls of the _____, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying, "Through many _____ we must enter the kingdom of God."

Rom 8:16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our _____ that we are children of God, (17) and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him. (18) For I consider that the _____ of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

1Pe 4:14 If you are _____ for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. (15) Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler; (16) but if anyone _____ as a Christian, he is not to be ashamed, but is to glorify God in this name.

What conflict did they see in Paul? _____

How did they hear about Paul's conflict? _____

2Ti 4:6 For I am already being _____ out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. (7) I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; (8) in the future there is laid up for me the crown of _____ which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will _____ to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.

What are the three main thoughts in this chapter? _____

Philippians 2

Phi 2:1 Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, (2) make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.

The KJV translates “encouragement” as “consolation”. What similarities are there as we use these words? _____

2Co 1:5 For just as the _____ of Christ are ours in abundance, so also our comfort is abundant through Christ.

Rom 5:5 and hope does not _____, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

The KJV translates “consolation of love” as “comfort of love”. What similarities are there as we use these words? _____

Joh 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not _____, but have eternal life.

Rom 5:8 But God _____ His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom 8:35 Who will _____ us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? (36) Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." (37) But in all these things we overwhelmingly _____ through Him who loved us.

What comfort do we obtain from God’s love? _____

How do we have fellowship with the Holy Spirit? _____

Eph 1:13 In Him, you also, after listening to the _____ of truth, the gospel of your salvation--having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, (14) who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the _____ of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.

Rom 8:26 In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not _____ how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with _____ too deep for words;

1Co 3:16 Do you not know that you are a _____ of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

“Affection and compassion” are translated in the KJV as “bowels and mercies”. Why would the Greeks have used these terms? _____

Col 3:12 So, as those who have been _____ of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;

Phi 2:2 make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.

What is a denominator in a fraction? _____

What is denominationalism based on? _____

What is a non-denominational church? _____

1Co 1:10 Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all agree and that there be no _____ among you, but that you be made complete in the same mind and in the same judgment.

1Co 3:3 for you are still _____. For since there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not walking like mere men? (4) For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not mere men? (5) What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you _____, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one.

Eph 4:11 And He gave some as _____, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, (12) for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; (13) until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the _____ of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. (14) As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by _____ in deceitful scheming; (15) but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,

Rom 12:16 Be of the same _____ toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be _____ in your own estimation.

2Pe 3:15 and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the _____ given him, wrote to you, (16) as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to _____, which the

untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

How can we avoid denominationalism? _____

Phi 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves;

Can good things be done for wrong motives? _____

Phi 1:15 Some, to be sure, are preaching Christ even from _____ and strife, but some also from good will;

1Co 13:1 If I speak with the _____ of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. (2) If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. (3) And if I give all my _____ to feed the poor, and if I surrender my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.

Luk 14:7 And He began speaking a _____ to the invited guests when He noticed how they had been picking out the places of honor at the table, saying to them, (8) "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for someone more distinguished than you may have been _____ by him, (9) and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this man,' and then in disgrace you proceed to occupy the last place. (10) "But when you are invited, go and recline at the last place, so that when the one who has invited you comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will have _____ in the sight of all who are at the table with you. (11) "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who _____ himself will be exalted."

1Co 12:22 On the contrary, it is much truer that the _____ of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary; (23) and those members of the body which we deem less honorable, on these we bestow more _____ honor, and our less presentable members become much more presentable, (24) whereas our more presentable members have no need of it. But God has so composed the body, giving more abundant honor to that member which lacked,

Phi 2:4 do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

Paul repeats himself for emphasis and to indicate the difficulty in serving. What do we have to know in order to help someone? _____

Why is it difficult for us to ask for help? _____

Act 20:35 "In everything I showed you that by _____ hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to _____.'"

Rom 14:15 For if because of _____ your brother is hurt, you are no longer walking according to love. Do not destroy with your _____ him for whom Christ died.

Rom 14:19 So then we pursue the things which make for _____ and the building up of one another.

Jam 5:16 Therefore, _____ your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a _____ man can accomplish much.

Phi 2:5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,

When did Jesus become God? _____

Isa 9:6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the _____ will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

Joh 1:1 In the _____ was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (2) He was in the beginning with God. (3) All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him _____ came into being that has come into being.

Mic 5:2 "But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be _____ in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of _____."

1Ti 1:16 Yet for this reason I found _____, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life. (17) Now to the King eternal, _____, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Heb 1:8 But of the _____ He says, "YOUR THRONE, O GOD, IS FOREVER AND EVER, AND THE RIGHTEOUS SCEPTER IS THE SCEPTER OF HIS KINGDOM.

1Ti 3:16 By common _____, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh, Was vindicated in the Spirit, Seen by angels, _____ among the nations, Believed on in the world, Taken up in glory.

Joh 8:58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before _____ was born, I am."

Did Jesus cease to be God on the cross? _____

Did Jesus believe that He was equal with God? _____

Joh 10:30 "I and the Father are one." (31) The _____ picked up stones again to stone Him. (32) Jesus answered them, "I showed you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you stoning Me?" (33) The Jews answered Him, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for _____; and because You, being a man, make Yourself out to be God." (34) Jesus answered them, "Has it not been written in your Law, 'I SAID, YOU ARE GODS'?" (35) "If he called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken), (36) do you say of Him, whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'?" (37) "If I do not do the works of My Father, do not _____ Me; (38) but if I do them, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, so that you may know and _____ that the Father is in Me, and I in the Father."

Did Jesus' apostles recognize that He was God? _____

Joh 14:9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, '_____ us the Father'?" (10) "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own _____, but the Father abiding in Me does His works. (11) "Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise believe because of the works themselves.

Joh 20:28 _____ answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" (29) Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you believed? _____ are they who did not see, and yet believed."

Rev 22:12 "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My _____ is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. (13) "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the _____ and the end."

Phi 2:6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,

What is the difference between God's form and man's form? _____

Joh 4:24 "God is _____, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

Was Jesus equal to God? _____

Gen 1:1 In the _____ God created the heavens and the earth.

Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make _____ in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every _____ thing that creeps on the earth."

What did Jesus refuse to grasp? _____

Did Jesus lose His Deity because He left His form? _____

Phi 2:7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.

How did Jesus empty Himself? _____

Isa 53:3 He was _____ and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. (4) Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our _____ He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. (5) But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His _____ we are healed. (6) All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him. (7) He was _____ and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His _____.

Was Jesus "just a man"? _____

Isa 9:6 For a _____ will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. (7) There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and _____. From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

Heb 2:9 But we do see Him who was made for a little while _____ than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of _____ crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might _____ death for everyone.

If Jesus was both man and God, in what way was Jesus tempted as we are? _____

Heb 4:15 For we do not have a high _____ who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been _____ in all things as we are, yet without sin.

Mat 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the _____ into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (2) And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. (3) And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, _____ that these stones become bread." (4) But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'" (5) Then the devil took Him into the _____ city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, (6) and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, 'HE WILL _____ HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU'; and 'ON their HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'" (7) Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'" (8) Again, the devil took Him to a very high _____ and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; (9) and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and _____ me." (10) Then Jesus said to him, "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'"

1Jo 2:16 For all that is in the _____, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the _____ pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

Phi 2:8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Was Jesus more than He appeared to be?_____

Joh 1:1 In the _____ was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (2) He was in the beginning with God. (3) All _____ came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

Joh 1:14 And the _____ became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only _____ from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Joh 3:1 Now there was a man of the _____ named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; (2) this man came to _____ by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a _____ for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him."

What does humility require?_____

Heb 12:2 _____ our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the _____ hand of the throne of God.

Mar 10:44 and whoever _____ to be first among you shall be slave of all. (45) "For even the Son of Man did not come to be _____, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Rom 5:8 But God _____ His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (9) Much more then, having now been _____ by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him.

Phi 2:9 For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,

How high did God exalt Jesus? _____

Heb 2:9 But we do see Him who was made for a little while _____ than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of _____ crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.

2Pe 1:17 For when He received _____ and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the _____ Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"--

Many Catholics are named Jesus. Is this name the best name? _____

What does Paul mean by the "name above every name"? _____

Act 4:10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you _____, whom God raised from the dead--by this name this man stands here before you in good health. (11) "He is the STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED by you, THE _____, but WHICH BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER stone. (12) "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other _____ under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

Eph 1:20 which He _____ about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the _____ places, (21) far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. (22) And He put all things in _____ under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church,

Col 1:18 He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the _____, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have _____ place in everything.

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All _____ has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

1Pe 3:22 who is at the right hand of God, having gone into _____, after angels and authorities and powers had been subjected to Him.

Phi 2:10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, (11) and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

What is the meaning of “every knee will bow”? _____

Mat 10:32 "Therefore everyone who _____ Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. (33) "But whoever _____ Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.

Rom 10:9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and _____ in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be _____; (10) for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he _____, resulting in salvation.

Do all men bow at the present time? _____

Rom 11:3 "Lord, THEY HAVE KILLED YOUR _____, THEY HAVE TORN DOWN YOUR ALTARS, AND I ALONE AM LEFT, AND THEY ARE SEEKING MY LIFE." (4) But what is the divine response to him? "I HAVE KEPT for Myself SEVEN THOUSAND MEN WHO HAVE NOT _____ THE KNEE TO BAAL." (5) In the same way then, there has also come to be at the present time a remnant according to God's _____ choice.

2Pe 3:7 But by His word the _____ heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and _____ of ungodly men. (8) But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. (9) The Lord is not _____ about His promise, as some count slowness, but is _____ toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

Phi 2:12 So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling;

How do we work out our salvation? _____

Jam 2:17 Even so _____, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself. (18) But someone may well say, "You have faith and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works." (19) You believe that God is one. You do well; the demons also _____, and shudder. (20) But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow, that faith without _____ is useless?

Joh 12:42 Nevertheless many even of the rulers _____ in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not _____ Him, for fear that they would be put out of the synagogue; (43) for they loved the _____ of men rather than the approval of God.

What kind of works are we to do? _____

Joh 6:27 "Do not work for the food which _____ but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal." (28) Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may _____ the works of God?" (29) Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the _____ of God, that you _____ in Him whom He has sent."

Luk 6:46 "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not _____ what I say?

Phi 2:14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing;

What does "all things" mean? _____

What happens in the church when people complain? _____

1Co 1:10 Now I _____ you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all agree and that there be no _____ among you, but that you be made complete in the same mind and in the same judgment. (11) For I have been informed concerning you, my brethren, by Chloe's people, that there are _____ among you. (12) Now I mean this, that each one of you is saying, "I am of Paul," and "I of Apollos," and "I of Cephas," and "I of Christ."

1Co 3:3 for you are still fleshly. For since there is _____ and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not _____ like mere men? (4) For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not mere men? (5) What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? _____ through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one.

Gal 5:14 For the whole Law is _____ in one word, in the statement, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF." (15) But if you _____ and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Phi 2:15 so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,

How can we be "lights" to the world? _____

Eph 5:1 Therefore be _____ of God, as beloved children; (2) and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma. (3) But immorality or any _____ or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; (4) and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather _____ of thanks.

Eph 5:8 for you were formerly _____, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light (9) (for the fruit of the Light consists in all _____ and righteousness and truth),

Phi 2:16 holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain.

What happens if we do not hold fast? _____

1Co 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be _____ immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your _____ is not in vain in the Lord.

Rev 2:10 'Do not fear what you are about to _____. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, so that you will be tested, and you will have _____ for ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Heb 6:4 For in the case of those who have once been _____ and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, (5) and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, (6) and then have _____ away, it is _____ to renew them again to repentance, since they again _____ to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.

What is the “word of life”? _____

Joh 6:63 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh _____ nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

Joh 6:68 Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to _____ shall we go? You have words of _____ life. (69) "We have believed and have come to know that You are the _____ One of God."

1Pe 1:23 for you have been born again not of _____ which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring _____ of God. (24) For, "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, (25) BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the _____ which was preached to you.

What happens to a gospel preacher when the listeners do not follow the word taught? _____

Gal 4:11 I fear for you, that perhaps I have _____ over you in vain.

1Th 3:5 For this reason, when I could _____ it no longer, I also sent to find out about your faith, for fear that the tempter might have tempted you, and our _____ would be in vain.

1Co 3:12 Now if any man builds on the _____ with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, (13) each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the _____ of each man's work. (14) If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a _____. (15) If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer _____; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

Phi 2:17 But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all. (18) You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me.

What joy is obtained in sharing the gospel? _____

Act 20:24 "But I do not _____ my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the _____ which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God.

1Th 2:7 But we proved to be gentle among you, as a _____ mother tenderly cares for her own children. (8) Having so fond an affection for you, we were well-pleased to impart to you not only the _____ of God but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us. (9) For you recall, brethren, our _____ and hardship, how working night and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we _____ to you the gospel of God.

Phi 2:19 But I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you shortly, so that I also may be encouraged when I learn of your condition. (20) For I have no one else of kindred spirit who will genuinely be concerned for your welfare.

What is a “kindred spirit”? _____

3Jo 1:3 For I was very glad when brethren came and _____ to your truth, that is, how you are walking in truth. (4) I have no greater _____ than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.

Col 4:11 and also Jesus who is called Justus; these are the only _____ workers for the kingdom of God who are from the _____ and they have proved to be an encouragement to me.

What distinguishes a “kindred spirit”? _____

Phi 2:21 For they all seek after their own interests, not those of Christ Jesus. (22) But you know of his proven worth, that he served with me in the furtherance of the gospel like a child serving his father.

Timothy was evidently a conscientious and dedicated worker as opposed to others whom Paul was not reluctant to name.

2Ti 1:15 You are aware of the fact that all who are in Asia _____ away from me, among whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes.

2Ti 4:10 for Demas, having loved this present world, has _____ me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia.

Phi 2:25 But I thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger and minister to my need; (26) because he was longing for you all and was distressed because you had heard that he was sick. (27) For indeed he was sick to the point of death, but God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, so that I would not have sorrow upon sorrow. (28) Therefore I have sent him all the more eagerly so that when you see him again you may rejoice and I may be less concerned about you. (29) Receive him then in the Lord with all joy, and hold men like him in high regard; (30) because he came close to death for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was deficient in your service to me.

What did Epaphroditus do for Paul? _____

Phi 4:18 But I have received _____ in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have _____, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

Did Paul have the miraculous gift of healing? _____

Why didn't Paul heal Epaphroditus? _____

2Ti 4:20 Erastus remained at Corinth, but Trophimus I left sick at Miletus.

Why didn't Paul heal Trophimus? _____

What are the three main thoughts in this chapter? _____

Philippians 3

Phi 3:1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.

What is the most often mentioned theme in this letter? _____

Phi 1:18 What then? Only that in every way, whether in _____ or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice,

Phi 2:18 You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and _____ your joy with me.

Phi 2:28 Therefore I have sent him all the more _____ so that when you see him again you may rejoice and I may be less _____ about you.

Phi 4:4 Rejoice in the _____ always; again I will say, rejoice!

Why would Paul write the same things again? _____

2Pe 1:12 Therefore, I will always be ready to _____ you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been _____ in the truth which is present with you.

2Pe 3:1 This is now, beloved, the second _____ I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your _____ mind by way of reminder,

Phi 3:2 Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision;

Of whom does Paul speak in this verse? _____

Gal 5:1 It was for _____ that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery. 2 Behold I, Paul, say to you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no benefit to you. 3 And I testify again to every man who receives _____, that he is under obligation to keep the whole Law.

What is the false circumcision? _____

Col 2:11 and in Him you were also circumcised with a circumcision made _____ hands, in the removal of the body of the flesh by the _____ of Christ; 12 having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead

Does circumcision help today? _____

Acts 13:39 and through Him everyone who _____ is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses.

Gal 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither _____ nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all _____ in Christ Jesus.

Heb 10:12 but He, having offered one _____ for sins for all time, sat down at the right hand of God

Phi 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,

Are the “true circumcision” real Jews? _____

Rom 2:28 For he is not a Jew who is one _____, neither is circumcision that which is outward in the flesh. 29 But he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that which is of the _____, by the Spirit, not by the letter; and his praise is not from men, but from God.

Rom 9:6 But [it is] not as though the word of God has _____. For they are not all Israel who are [descended] from Israel; 7 neither are they all children because they are Abraham's descendants, but: "through Isaac your descendants will be named." 8 That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God, but the children of the _____ are regarded as descendants.

Phi 3:4 although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more: (5) circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee;

What other facts can you list about Paul? _____

Gal 1:14 and I was advancing in _____ beyond many of my contemporaries among my countrymen, being more extremely zealous for my ancestral traditions.

2Co 11:24 Five times I received from the _____ thirty-nine [lashes.] 25 Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. 26 [I have been] on _____ journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from [my] countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among _____ brethren; 27 [I have been] in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in _____, and thirst, often

without food, in cold and exposure. 28 Apart from [such] external things, there is the daily pressure upon me [of] concern for all the churches. ... 32 In Damascus the ethnarch under Aretas the king was guarding the city of the _____ in order to seize me, 33 and I was let down in a _____ through a window in the wall, and [so] escaped his hands.

Acts 22:2 And when they heard that he was _____ them in the Hebrew dialect, they became even more quiet; and he said, 3 "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated under _____, strictly according to the law of our fathers, being zealous for God, just as you all are today.

Acts 26:4 "So then, all Jews know my manner of life from my youth up, which from the beginning was spent among my [own] _____ and at Jerusalem; 5 since they have known about me for a long time previously, if they are willing to testify, that I lived [as] a _____ according to the strictest sect of our religion

Phi 3:6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

What did Paul do to persecute the church? _____

Acts 8:3 But Saul [began] _____ the church, entering house after house; and dragging off men and women, he would put them in _____.

Acts 9:1 Now Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest, 2 and asked for _____ from him to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, both men and women, he might bring them _____ to Jerusalem.

I Tim 1:13 3 even though I was formerly a _____ and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. And yet I was shown mercy, because I acted ignorantly in _____.

What did Paul think of his standing before the Law? _____

Acts 23:1 And Paul, looking intently at the Council, said, "Brethren, I have lived my life with a perfectly good _____ before God up to this day."

Phi 3:7 But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. (8) More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ,

What did Paul give for Christ? _____

Acts 20:24 "But I do not _____ my life of any account as dear to myself, in order that I may finish my course, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God. ... 34 "You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my [own] needs and to the men who were with me. 35 "In everything I showed you that by working hard in this _____ you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more _____ to give than to receive.'"

Phi 3:9 and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith,

What did the Law require? _____

Deut 27:26 'Cursed is he who does not _____ the words of this law by doing them.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Could the Law of Moses save? _____

Acts 13:39 and through Him everyone who _____ is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses

How do we obtain the righteousness of God? _____

Gal 2:16 nevertheless knowing that a man is not _____ by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we may be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the _____ of the Law; since by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified.

Tit 3:5 He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of _____ and renewing by the Holy Spirit

Phi 3:10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death;

How do we know Jesus? _____

1Jn 2:3 And by this we know that we have come to _____ Him, if we keep His commandments.

What is the power of Jesus' resurrection? _____

1Cor 15:21 For since by a man [came] death, by a man also [came] the _____ of the dead.

Col 2:13 And when you were dead in your _____ and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having _____ us all our transgressions,

1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen _____ in Jesus. 15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, and remain until the _____ of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will _____ from heaven with a shout, with the voice of [the] archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be _____ up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord.

Phi 3:11 in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

When will the dead be resurrected? _____

1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen _____ in Jesus. 15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, and remain until the _____ of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will _____ from heaven with a shout, with the voice of [the] archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be _____ up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord.

2Th 1:7 and [to give] relief to you who are _____ and to us as well when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in _____ fire, 8 dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 And these will pay the penalty of _____ destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be _____ at among all who have believed-- for our testimony to you was believed

Will there be an one thousand year reign in between the time Jesus raises the righteous and the unrighteous? _____

Will there be an seven year interval in between the time Jesus raises the righteous and the unrighteous? _____

Who will attain the resurrection to life? _____

Gal 5:16 But I say, walk by the _____ and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.
17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in _____ to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please

1Tim 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the _____ life to which you were called, and you made the good _____ in the presence of many witnesses

Phi 3:12 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.

The Scriptures speak of our salvation in two ways, from past sins and eternally.

How do we obtain salvation from past sins? _____

Acts 2:38 And Peter [said] to them, "Repent, and let each of you be _____ in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 22:16 'And now why do you delay? Arise, and be _____, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.'

How do we obtain our eternal salvation? _____

1Tim 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the _____ life to which you were called, and you made the good _____ in the presence of many witnesses.

Heb 4:9 There remains therefore a _____ rest for the people of God. 10 For the one who has entered His rest has himself also _____ from his works, as God did from His. 11 Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall through [following] the same _____ of disobedience.

Rev 2:10 'Do not fear what you are about to _____. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have _____ ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.'

1Jn 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and _____ to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Phi 3:13 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,

Did Paul obtain salvation from his past sins? _____

Is Paul still striving for eternal salvation as he writes this passage? _____

Could Paul still fail to obtain eternal salvation? _____

1Cor 9:24 Do you not know that those who run in a _____ all run, but [only] one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. 25 And everyone who competes in the _____ exercises self-control in all things. They then [do it] to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. 26 Therefore I _____ in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air;

Heb 12:1 Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of _____ surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily _____ us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, _____ the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

2Tim 4:7 I have fought the _____ fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; 8 in the future there is laid up for me the crown of _____, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His _____.

Phi 3:14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

What is our goal? _____

Jn 14:1 "Let not your _____ be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 "In My Father's house are many _____ places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.

Heb 4:11 Let us therefore be _____ to enter that rest, lest anyone fall through [following] the same example of _____.

Phi 3:15 Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

How many of us are perfect? _____

What does the word “perfect” mean in this passage? _____

Heb 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be _____, you have need again for someone to teach you the _____ principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food. 13 For everyone who partakes [only] of milk is not accustomed to the word of _____, for he is a babe. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses _____ to discern good and evil.

How does one become perfect? _____

2Tim 3:16 All Scripture is _____ by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 that the man of God may be _____, equipped for every good work.

Rom 10:17 So faith [comes] from hearing, and _____ by the word of Christ.

Eph 3:4 And by referring to this, when you _____ you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which in other _____ was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been _____ to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit;

Phi 3:16 however, let us keep living by that same standard to which we have attained.

What is our standard? _____

Jn 12:48 "He who rejects Me, and does not _____ My sayings, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will _____ him at the last day.

1Cor 1:10 Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all _____, and there be no divisions among you, but you be made _____ in the same mind and in the same judgment.

Eph 4:11 And He gave some [as] _____, and some [as] prophets, and some [as] evangelists, and some [as] pastors and teachers, 12 for the _____ of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the _____ of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the _____ of Christ.

Phi 3:17 Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us. (18) For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ, (19) whose end is destruction, whose god is their appetite, and whose glory is in their shame, who set their minds on earthly things.

Did Paul set the pattern for our life on earth? _____

1Co 11:1 Be _____ of me, just as I also am of Christ.

Phil 4:9 The things you have learned and _____ and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of _____ shall be with you.

What needs to be considered in our imitation of someone? _____

Acts 20:29 "I know that after my _____ savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; 30 and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the _____ after them

Mt 7:20 "So then, you will _____ them by their fruit

Ja 3:17 But the _____ from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy. 18 And the seed whose fruit is _____ is sown in peace by those who make peace.

1Cor 3:3 for you are still fleshly. For since there is _____ and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not _____ like mere men?

Phi 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

Of what country was Paul a citizen? _____

Acts 22:28 And the commander answered, "I acquired this _____ with a large sum of money." And Paul said, "But I was actually born [a citizen.]"

How is our citizenship in heaven? _____

Jn 18:36 Jesus answered, "My _____ is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My _____ would be fighting, that I might not be delivered up to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this _____. "

Dan 2:44 "And in the days of those _____ the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and [that] _____ will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself _____ forever.

Does the kingdom exist now or will it be established at some future time? _____

Col 1:13 For He delivered us from the _____ of darkness, and transferred us to the _____ of His beloved Son

Phi 3:21 who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

Will our current body be the one we will have in heaven? _____

1Co 15:42 So also is the _____ of the dead. It is sown a perishable body, it is raised an imperishable body; (43) it is sown in _____, it is raised in glory; it is

sown in weakness, it is raised in power; (44) it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.

1Co 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, (52) in a moment, in the _____ of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the _____ will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. (53) For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. (54) But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the _____ that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.

Philippians 4

Phil 4:1 Therefore, my beloved brethren whom I long [to see], my joy and crown, so stand firm in the Lord, my beloved.

Why did Paul feel so close to the Philippians? _____

Acts 16:11 Therefore putting out to sea from _____, we ran a straight course to Samothrace, and on the day following to Neapolis; 12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of _____, a [Roman] colony; and we were staying in this city for some days.

Why did Paul plead for steadfastness? _____

I Cor 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be _____, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your _____ is not [in] vain in the Lord.

2 Tim 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have _____ the course, I have kept the faith; 8 in the future there is laid up for me the crown of _____ which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Phil 4:2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord. 3 Indeed, true comrade, I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in [the cause of] the gospel, together with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

No other mention is made of these Godly sisters (in Christ) with a personal problem. What is our attitude toward such problems to be? _____

1 Pet 3:8 To sum up, let all be _____, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; 9 not returning evil for evil, or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing.

What did Paul and Barnabas do when they had problems? _____

Acts 15:38 But Paul kept _____ that they should not take him along who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work. 39 And there arose such a sharp _____ that they separated from one another, and Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus. 40 But Paul chose Silas and departed, being committed by the _____ to the grace of the Lord.

Phil 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

What is the theme of this book? _____

How many times does Paul counsel “rejoice”? _____

Phil 4:5 Let your forbearing [spirit] be known to all men. The Lord is near.

What are synonyms for “forbearing”? _____

Will men permanently harm you with what they may do? _____

Mt 10:28 "And do not _____ those who kill the body, but are unable to kill the soul; but rather fear Him who is able to _____ both soul and body in hell.

Is the Lord’s return imminent? _____

Ja 5:8 You too be patient; _____ your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

1Pet 4:7 The _____ of all things is at hand; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober [spirit] for the _____ of prayer.

In whose terms is His return imminent? _____

2Pet 3:3 Know this first of all, that in the last days _____ will come with [their] mocking, following after their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For [ever] since the fathers fell asleep, all _____ just as it was from the beginning of creation." 5 For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God [the] heavens _____ long ago and [the] earth was formed out of water and by water, 6 through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water. 7 But the present heavens and earth by His word are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and _____ of ungodly men. 7 But the present heavens and earth by His word are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. 8 But do not let this one [fact] escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count _____, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will _____ away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. 11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of _____ ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, 13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which _____ dwells.

Phil 4:6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Is being anxious a sin? _____

Mt 6:25 "For this _____ I say to you, do not be anxious for your life, [as to] what you shall eat, or what you shall _____; nor for your body, [as to] what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the _____ than clothing?"

Lk 10:41 But the Lord answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are _____ and bothered about so many things; 42 but [only] a few things are _____, really [only] one, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her. "

How can we avoid being anxious? _____

Phil 4:7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

What's the difference between the "peace of God" and just "peace"? _____

Isa 26:3 "The _____ of mind Thou wilt keep in perfect peace, Because he trusts in Thee. 4 "Trust in the Lord _____, For in God the Lord, [we have] an everlasting Rock.

Jn 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your _____ be troubled, nor let it be fearful.

Jn 16:33 "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have _____, but take courage; I have overcome the world."

Rom 8:6 For the _____ set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, 7 because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not _____ able [to do so]; 8 and those who are in the _____ cannot please God.

Phil 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things.

What is truth? _____

Jn 18:38 _____ said to Him, "What is truth?" ...

Jn 17:17 "Sanctify them in the truth; Thy _____ is truth.

1Pet 1:22 Since you have in _____ to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, _____ love one another from the heart,

How honest is a Christian to be? _____

Rom 12:17 Never pay back _____ for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men. 18 If _____, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men

2Co 8:21 what is _____, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

Just -- right

Jn 7:24 "Do not judge according to _____, but judge with righteous judgment."

What is purity? _____

Ja 1:27 This is _____ and undefiled religion in the sight of [our] God and Father, to visit orphans and _____ in their distress, [and] to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Is lovely used here in terms of beauty? Why or why not? _____

1Pet 4:8 Above all, keep _____ in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins

How do we know what is honorable? _____

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the _____ of [things] hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 For by it the men of old gained approval.

What synonym does the KJV use for “moral excellence”? _____

2Pet 1:3 seeing that His divine _____ has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true _____ of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

What is praise to God? _____

Eph 1:12 to the end that we who were the first to _____ in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. 13 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation-- having also believed, you were _____ in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise

Phil 4:9 The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace shall be with you.

Does Paul indicate that we should follow him in all things? _____

1Co 11:1 Be _____ of me, just as I also am of Christ.

Phil 4:10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned [before,] but you lacked opportunity.

It appears that Paul thought they had forgotten him. How often did he preach under difficult situations? _____

2Co 11:23 Are they _____ of Christ? (I speak as if insane) I more so; in far more labors, in far more imprisonments, beaten times without number, often in danger of death. 24 Five times I received from the Jews _____ [lashes.] 25 Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, _____ times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. 26 [I have been] on _____ journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from [my] countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren; 27 [I have been] in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and _____. 28 Apart from [such] external things, there is the daily pressure upon me [of] concern for all the churches.

Phil 4:11 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.

Was Paul ever a wealthy man? _____

Mt 6:24 "No one can serve _____ masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will hold to one and _____ the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Acts 20:34 "You yourselves know that these hands _____ to my [own] needs and to the men who were with me.

How is it possible to adjust your outgo to your income? _____

Phil 4:13 I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

How can we be happy in difficult circumstances? _____

2Co 12:9 And He has said to me, "My _____ is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my _____, that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

Col 1:11 strengthened with all _____, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has _____ us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Phil 4:14 Nevertheless, you have done well to share [with me] in my affliction.

How can we remember those that preach? _____

What occurs when we do remember them? _____

3Jn 1:5 Beloved, you are acting _____ in whatever you accomplish for the brethren, and especially [when they are] strangers; 6 and they bear witness to your love before the church; and you will do well to send them on their way in a _____ worthy of God. 7 For they went out for the sake of the Name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. 8 Therefore we ought to _____ such men, that we may be fellow workers with the truth.

Do the rich have a special requirement for sharing? _____

1Tim 6:17 _____ those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. 18 [Instruct them] to do good, to be rich in good works, to be _____ and ready to share,

Phil 4:15 And you yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; 16 for even in Thessalonica you sent [a gift] more than once for my needs. 17 Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account.

The KJV translates “shared” as “communicated”. What does this tell us about our sharing? _____

2Co 11:8 I _____ other churches, taking wages [from them] to serve you;

What does the sharer get for providing an earthly benefit? _____

1Th 2:9 For you recall, brethren, our _____ and hardship, [how] working night and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we _____ to you the gospel of God

1Tim 6:10 For the love of money is a _____ of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith, and _____ themselves with many a pang.

Mt 10:40 "He who _____ you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.

Phil 4:18 But I have received everything in full, and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

Who was Epaphroditus? _____

Phil 2:25 But I thought it _____ to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your _____ and minister to my need;

Phil 4:19 And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

How will God provide for us? _____

Mt 6:25 "For this reason I say to you, do not be _____ for your life, [as to] what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor for your body, [as to] what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the _____ than clothing? 26 "Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and [yet] your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they? 27 "And which of you by being anxious can add a [single] cubit to his life's span? 28 "And why are you anxious about clothing? Observe how the _____ of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin, 29 yet I say to you that even _____ in all his glory did not clothe himself like one of these. 30 "But if God so arrays the grass of the field, which is [alive] today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, [will He] not much more [do so for] you, O men of little faith? 31 "Do not be anxious then, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'With what shall we clothe ourselves?' 32 "For all these things the _____ eagerly seek; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 "But seek first His kingdom and His _____; and all these things shall be added to you. 34 "Therefore do not be anxious for tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. [Each] day has enough trouble of its own.

Phil 4:20 Now to our God and Father [be] the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Who is to receive our praise and adoration? _____

Rom 11:36 For from Him and _____ Him and to Him are all things. To Him [be] the glory forever. Amen.

Rom 16:27 to the only _____ God, through Jesus Christ, be the glory forever. Amen.

Gal 1:5 to whom [be] the glory _____. Amen.

Eph 3:21 to Him [be] the glory in the _____ and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Rev 1:6 and He has made us [to be] a _____, priests to His God and Father; to Him [be] the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Why do we say, "Amen"? _____

When said by God amen means "it is and shall be so". When used by men it means "so let it be." Is this to be said audibly with prayers and thanksgivings? _____

1Cor. 14:16 Otherwise if you _____ in the spirit [only,] how will the one who fills the place of the _____ say the "Amen" at your giving of thanks, since he does not know what you are saying?

Rev. 5:14 And the four living _____ kept saying, "Amen." And the elders fell down and worshiped.

What is a doxology? _____

Eph. 3:21 to Him [be] the glory in the _____ and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Can "amen" be used for emphasis ? _____

Rom 15:33 Now the God of _____ be with you all. Amen.

1Cor 16:24 My love be with you all in _____ Jesus. Amen.

Gal 6:18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with _____ spirit, brethren. Amen.

**Phil 4:21 Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you.
22 All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.**

Are all Christians "saints"? _____

Are some sinners "saints"? _____

What does the Roman Catholic Church say the qualifications of a saint are? _____

2Th 1:10 when He comes to be _____ in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed-- for our _____ to you was believed

Eph 1:1 Paul, an _____ of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the _____ who are at Ephesus, and [who are] faithful in Christ Jesus:

Phil 4:23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

What is grace? _____

If God's grace has given us our savior, what grace do we look for now? _____

Rom. 1:7 to all who are _____ of God in Rome, called [as] saints: _____ to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 1:3 Grace to you and _____ from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Grace is sometimes used as a mode of greeting? What do you think it means in this use? _____

Acts 15:23 and they sent this letter by them, "The apostles and the _____ who are elders, to the brethren in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia who are from the _____, greetings.

Ja 1:1 James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the _____ tribes who are dispersed abroad, greetings.

2Jn 1:10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring this _____, do not receive him into [your] house, and do not give him a greeting; 11 for the one who gives him a _____ participates in his evil deeds.

