

#### Living a Life of Generous Friendship

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C3 Family today, we finish our series on Paul's letter to the Philippians. Over the last three weeks, we have been exploring the connection between Christian joy and suffering. Paul's letter to the young church in Philippi is an encouraging letter teaching us how to go through tough times. Today we will learn how generous friendships are key to Christian living.

# 1. Strive for \_\_\_\_\_ by being of the same in Jesus Christ.

<sup>2</sup> I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Philippians 4:2

2. Paul reminds us again to\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Philippians 4:4-5

### 3. The peace of God is available in the \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

## 4. Reframe the way we think and use \_\_\_\_\_\_of life.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:8-9

#### **Closing Sermon Application Points:**

- 1. We show concern for each other and members of the church by taking action.
- 2. Learning the secret of contentment in Jesus Christ is key to peace and leaning on God's strength to persevere.
- 3. Growing in Jesus Christ is the greatest gift we can give each other.
- 4. Say "Thank You" to God and to each other.