

Core Seminars—New Testament
Class 13: Philippians:
Kingdom Partnership



Kingdom partnership: Overview of Philippians

I. Date

II. Background

A. The City of Philippi

B. The Church at Philippi

III. Purpose: Three practical reasons

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IV. Outline

- 1) Salutation (1:1-2)
- 2) Thanksgiving & prayer for the Philippians' Gospel Partnership (1:3-11)
- 3) Paul's Present Circumstances as a model of gospel Partnership (1:12-26)
- 4) Practical Instructions in contending for gospel partnership (1:27–2:30)
 - a) Living Boldly as Citizens of Heaven (1:27–2:30)
 - b) Living Humbly as Servants of Christ (2:1-11)
 - c) Living Obediently as Children of God (2:12-18)
 - d) Examples of Humble Servants (2:19-30)
- 5) The enemies of gospel partnership (3:1-6)
- 6) The Goal of Gospel partnership: Heaven through preserving in suffering (3:7-4:1)
- 7) Exhortations to gospel partnership (4:2-13)
- 8) Thankfulness for gospel partnership (4:10-20)
- 9) Final Greetings (4:21-23)

V. Major Theme: Gospel Humility

A. Humility as Patient Suffering

B. Humility as Unity and Support for One Another

C. Humility as Dependence on God

D. Humility as Modeling Christ's Example for One Another