

# ***God's Chart for a New Start***

**Philippians 1-4**

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**1. Time to make a new  
start in your  
attitudes.**

**(Philippians 1)**

**Philippians 1:12-13 (CSB) - Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually advanced the gospel, <sup>13</sup>so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard, and to everyone else, that my imprisonment is because I am in Christ.**

**Philippians 1:14 (CSB) - *Most of the brothers have gained confidence in the Lord from my imprisonment and dare even more to speak the word fearlessly.***

**Philippians 1:15-18 (CSB) - *To be sure, some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of good will. <sup>16</sup>These preach out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel; <sup>17</sup>the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition,***

*not sincerely, thinking that they will cause me trouble in my imprisonment. <sup>18</sup>What does it matter? Only that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is proclaimed, and in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice.*

**2. Time to make a new  
start in your  
churchmanship.**

**(Philippians 2)**

**Philippians 2:1–2 (CSB) - *If then there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, <sup>2</sup>make my joy complete by thinking the same way, having the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.***



**Philippians 2:2 (CSB) – *Make my joy complete by thinking the same way, having the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.***

**Philippians 2:3-4 (CSB) - *Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves.***

***<sup>4</sup>Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.***

## **Philippians 2:4–8 (CSB) -**

*Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*

*<sup>5</sup>Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited. <sup>7</sup>Instead he*

*emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death – even to death on a cross.*

**3. Time to make a new  
start in your private  
life.**

**(Philippians 3)**

**Philippians 3:12–14 (CSB) - *Not that I have already reached the goal or am already perfect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus.***

**<sup>13</sup>*Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself to have taken***

***hold of it. But one thing I do:  
Forgetting what is behind and  
reaching forward to what is  
ahead, <sup>14</sup>I pursue as my goal the  
prize promised by God's  
heavenly call in Christ Jesus.***

**4. Time to make a new  
start in your family  
& friendships.**

**(Philippians 4)**



**Philippians 4:2–8 (CSB) - I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to agree in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, I also ask you, true partner, to help these women who have contended for the gospel at my side, along with Clement and the rest of my coworkers whose names are in the book of life.**

***4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your graciousness (NIV: “gentleness”) be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Don’t worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.***

***<sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.***

***<sup>8</sup>Finally brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is***

*lovely, whatever is  
commendable—if there is any  
moral excellence and if there is  
anything praiseworthy—dwell on  
these things.*

**Philippians 4:10-13 (CSB) - I rejoiced in the Lord greatly because once again you renewed your care for me. You were, in fact, concerned about me but lacked the opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup>I don't say this out of need, for I have learned to be content in whatever**

**circumstances I find myself. <sup>12</sup>I know both how to make do with little, and I know how to make do with a lot. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content—whether well fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need. <sup>13</sup>I am**

*able to do all things through him  
who strengthens me.*