

SUMMER 2026 · PHILIPPIANS · 5 PARTS

ORDINARY SAINTS

Philippians is a thank you letter written from a prison cell. Paul calls ordinary people saints, and he means it. Use one part per week and leave time for the last question.

PART 1 · PHILIPPIANS 1:1-11

PARTNERS FROM THE FIRST DAY

Marcus Reid

1. Paul thanks God every time he remembers this church. Who do you remember with joy?
2. What does it mean to be partners in the gospel, not just members of a church?
3. Where would you like your love to grow in knowledge and depth?

TRY THIS WEEK Write a short thank you note to someone who shaped your faith.

PART 2 · PHILIPPIANS 1:12-30

TO LIVE IS CHRIST

Elena Reid

1. Paul sees his prison as an open door. Where has a setback opened something new for you?
2. What would it mean for you to say, to live is Christ?
3. How can you live in a way that is worthy of the gospel at work or at home?

TRY THIS WEEK Name one hard situation and pray for a door to open in it.

OTHER PEOPLE'S INTERESTS

Tom Wisniewski

1. Verse 4 might be the hardest verse in the letter. Why?
2. What does the humility of Jesus in verses 6 to 8 look like on an ordinary Tuesday?
3. Whose interests could you put first this week?

TRY THIS WEEK Ask someone how you can help, and then do it.

WORK, RENT AND THE KINGDOM

Naomi Carter

1. Paul keeps pressing on. What keeps you going in the long middle of a week?
2. Where do your job and your faith feel far apart?
3. What would it look like to remember that your citizenship is in heaven at work tomorrow?

TRY THIS WEEK Pray for three coworkers by name before you start work.

JOY IN A SMALL APARTMENT

Mateo Vargas

1. Paul learned contentment. What has life been trying to teach you lately?
2. Which worry from verse 6 would you like to hand over this week?
3. Where have you already seen God provide enough?

TRY THIS WEEK Before bed, write down three good things from the day.