

Introduction to Philippians

1. **Author**—Paul (Philippians 1:1, 1:12-14, 2:19-24, 3:4-7, 4:15-16)
2. **The city of Philippi**
3. **The church at Philippi**—Paul, Timothy, Silas, and Luke (Acts 16)
4. **Time and place of writing**—during Paul's house arrest in Rome (Acts 28)
5. **Purpose of the epistle**—(Philippians 1:12-14, 4:10, 18)
6. **Theme of the epistle**—joy in the Lord

Philippians 4:4

**“Rejoice in the Lord always.
Again I will say, rejoice!”**

Philippians 1:20-21

“...according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”

1. *For me to live in Christ*
2. *For me to live with Christ*
3. *For me to live for Christ*

The Letter of Philippians