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**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)



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**V. Major Themes**

A. A love that grows in the imitation of Christ

- Paul's prayers as a model for our own.

B. A love marked by humility

C. A love marked by perseverance

D. A love marked by contented joy