

Philippians
Lesson 1 – the Greeting

Philippians 1:1-2 “1 Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, including the overseers and deacons: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”

Questions:

1. “In this letter, God himself is still speaking to each one of us today.” How does this affect how you will approach your time reading the letter to the Philippians
2. Given who Christ is, why is it a privilege, rather than oppressive, to be one of his “bond-servants”?
3. How are you, as a “saint,” living a set-apart life in your particular place and time, in what you pursue and what you refrain from?
4. You can never pray too much for those who serve your church as overseers and deacons. Does this thought need to change the priorities of your prayers?
5. What difference will “grace to you” and peace from God make to your day today, and tomorrow?
6. Are there other places you are tempted to look for your peace? How does the result of locating your sense of peace there compare to when you seek it in God?

FOR NEXT TIME: Read Philippians 1:3-11.