

Philippians . . .

Psalm 1

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Subject: Hurricane Pressures

>Thanks Mick. I'll definitely start that reading technique with Laura immediately. When I tried to open the pdf file it >seemd to be downloading and then indicated "file could not be found". Is there a website to access the doc?

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I hope you and family weather safely the hurricane weather which heading your way. Don't know how long you've been in Florida, but I'm sure you're somewhat used to this and how to deal with it. Everything is a positive. If pressures are brought back to His Word and Him, pressures can only be a positive and result in more growth each of us, and more glory to God. Just like James said, "Count it joy", NOT because he liked pressures, but he knew the only outcome was more growth and His glory, if we positively rest on the Word.

"Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing." James 1:2-4

Peter said the same thing about pressures. In fact he noted several facts about pressures.

"In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;" 1Pet. 1:5-7

1. Pressures are about our mental attitude not external circumstances (...you greatly rejoice...)
2. Pressures are for ALL believers (...you (plural in Greek) rejoice...)
3. Pressures are temporary (... a little while...)
4. Pressures are absolutely necessary for a believer (...if necessary/same phrase as "YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN", it is not iffy in the original Greek language, it is the same as the phrase about rebirth of Nicademeus)
5. Pressures come in many forms and varieties (...by various trials...)
6. Pressures can have great results (...how great is the opportunity to shine forth the work of God's Grace in our lifes thru our attitude and conduct in pressure...)

Stay in touch.

In Christ,

Mick

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

## **ISAGOGICS**

*Literally, “a leading into.” Introductory study preliminary to actual exegesis and concern with the literary history and text of the Bible*

## **EXEGESIS**

*The use of critical (reasoning) and scholarly procedures to derive the meaning of a passage of Scripture.*

## **EXPOSITION**

*A method of elaborating the meaning of a text as determined by exegesis and showing its contemporary relevance or application without distorting or falsifying its original meaning.*

## **EISEGESIS**

*Reading into a passage of Scripture the meaning one wants to find in it.*

# Structure of First Century Greek Letter

**From:**

Phil 1:1a

Paul and Timothy

**To:**

Phil 1:1c

To all the saints in Christ  
Jesus who are in Philippi

**Body:**

Phil 1:3-4:19

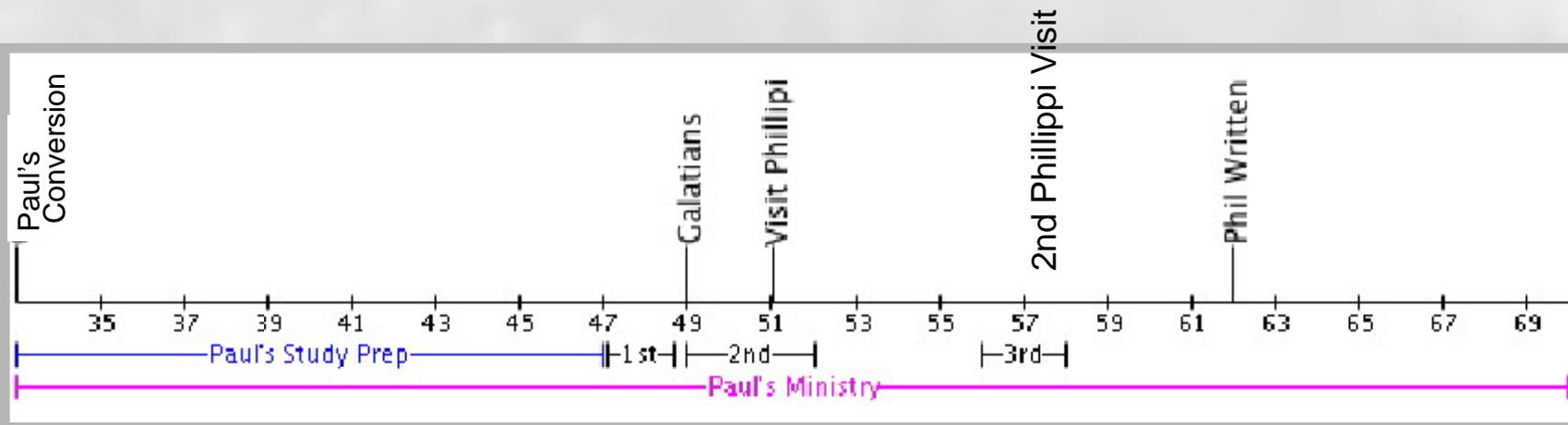
Theme: Unity ? Joy ? Humility ?

**Closing:**

Phil 4:20-23

final thoughts ...

# Timeline



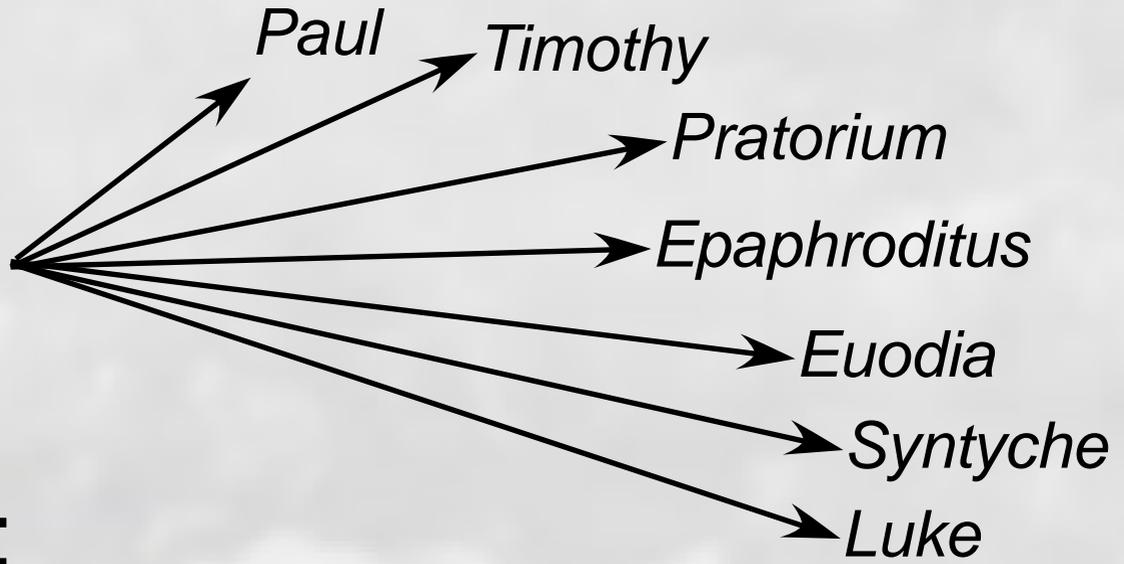
Philippi

Who:

Where:

When:

What:



# Paul/Saul

*Acts 7:58; 8:1,3; 9:1,4,8,11,17,22,24;  
11:25,30; 12:25-13:2;  
13:7,9,13,16,21,42-43,45-46,50;  
14:9,11-12,14,19; 15:2,12,22,25,35-  
36,38,40; 16:1,3,9,14,17-19,25,28-  
29,36-37; 17:4,10,13-16,22,33; ....*

**Saul** hated the Way, and persecuted and killed Christians

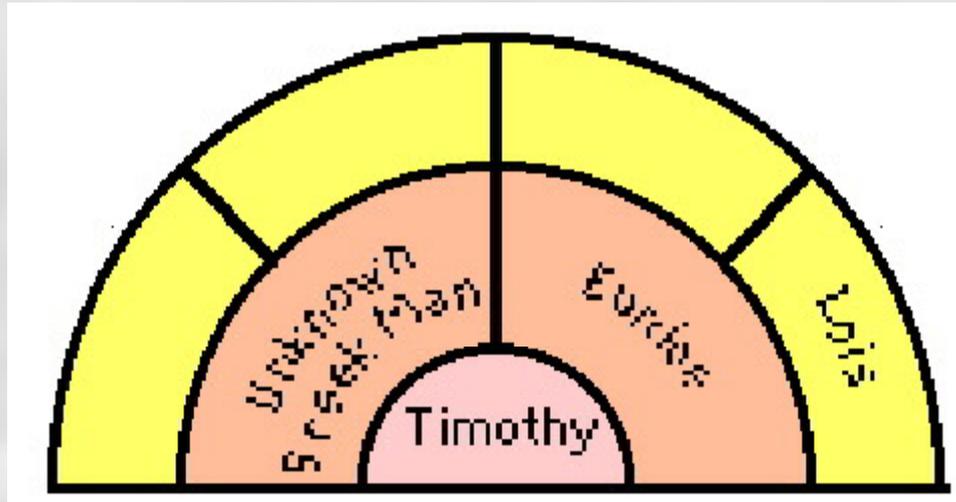
**Paul** was an Apostle appointed for the spread of the Gospel



Bundles of rods and axes called fascis. These were symbols of the court's powers from Rome.

# Timothy

Acts 16:1; 17:14-15; 18:5; 19:22; 20:4;  
Rom. 16:21; 1Cor. 4:17; 16:10; 2Cor.  
1:1,19; Phil. 1:1; 2:19; Col. 1:1; 1Th.  
1:1; 3:2,6; 2Th. 1:1; 1Tim. 1:2,18; 6:20;  
2Tim. 1:2; Philem. 1:1; Heb. 13:23



Father - unnamed, Greek, probably UNB since Timothy not circumscised Acts 16:3

Mother/Grandmother presented the Truth to toddler Timothy 2Tim 3:15

Timothy probably early 20's in Acts 16:3

Euodia Eupdia (good + way)

*Phil 4:21*

Syntyche Suntuch

(together with + obtain, receive, attain, experience)

Possibly with Lydia at the Gangitis River outside Philippi

Phil. 4:2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord.

# Luke

*“Now there were at Antioch, in the church that was there, prophets and teachers: Barnabas, and Simeon who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.*

*Timothy my fellow worker greets you, and so do Lucius and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen.*

*Luke, the beloved physician, sends you his greetings, and also Demas.*

*Only Luke is with me. Pick up Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for service.*

*as do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, Luke, my fellow workers.”*

*(Acts 13:1; Rom. 16:21; Col. 4:14; 2Tim. 4:11; Philem. 1:24, NASB)*

Physician, a learned man, probably Gentile wrote gospel of Luke and Acts. He accompanied Paul during part of his travels in Acts.

# Epaphroditus

*Phil. 2:25 But I thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger and minister to my need;*

*Phil. 4:18 But I have received everything in full, and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.*

*Col. 1:7 just as you learned it from Epaphras, our beloved fellow bond-servant, who is a faithful servant of Christ on our behalf,*

*Col. 4:12 Epaphras, who is one of your number, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, sends you his greetings, always laboring earnestly for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and fully assured in all the will of God.*

*Philem. 1:23 Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, greets you,*

Two different individuals

The End

Psalm 3