

beginning . . .

Psalm

Phil. 1:6-8

For I am *confident* of this very thing, *that* He who began a good work in you will *perfect* it until the day of Christ Jesus. *For* it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, *because* I have you in my heart, *since* both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are *partakers* of grace with me. *For* God is my witness, *how* I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus

Phil. 1:6-8 *For I am confident of this very thing, ...*
πεποιθὼς αὐτὸ τοῦτο,

For

~~For For I am~~

“italics in NASB”

For I am

confident

PEITHEO to be convinced, persuaded, won over
perf part ——— completed action with ongoing results

helping conditon to main verb

(very common word in the Psalms, influence Paul)

(3) I thank God..., (4) making requests..., (6) being persuaded...

of this very thing, of this itself,

emphatic, strong

Prayer Rests on Confidence from Scripture

Phil. 1:6-8

... that He who began a good work in you ...

ὅτι ὁ ἐναρξάμενος ἐν ὑμῖν ἔργον ἀγαθὸν

that

HOTI “ ... “ the content of “this very thing”

*Psa. 2:12; 10:1; 24:2; 48:7; 56:2; 113:16; 117:8;
118:20,174; 124:1; 134:18; 145:3; Ode. 2:11,37;
7:40; Prov. 3:5,23,29; 10:9; 11:28; 14:16,32;
16:20; 21:22; 26:25; 28:1,25-26; 29:25*

He who began EN + ARCHOMAI

Ex. 12:18 ‘In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month

*Gal. 3:3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit,
are you now being perfected by the flesh?*

in you you(s)

plural

referring to believers

*Prov. 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart
And do not lean on
your own understanding.*

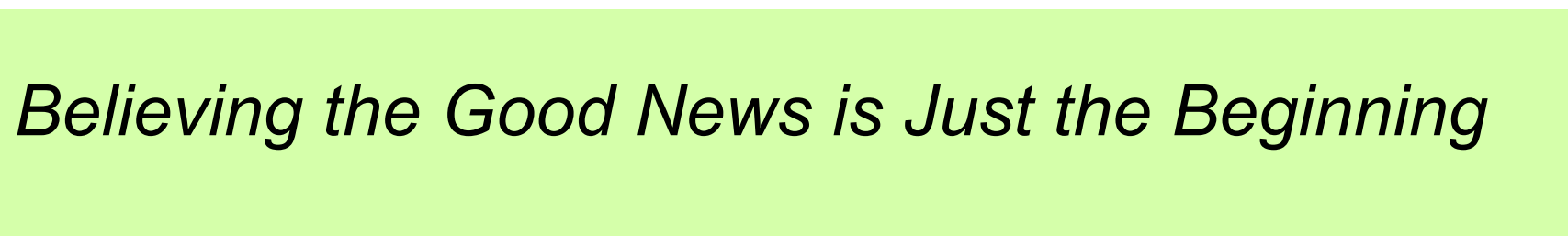
a good work

work, activity, result

good describes the work, activity

intrinsically good, not outer beauty

*not an indefinite work, it is very very specific, so it
is emphasizing the character nature or quality*



Believing the Good News is Just the Beginning

Phil. 1:6-8

He... will perfect it ...

ἐπιτελέσει

He...will perfect it -- perfect never means perfect in the Bible --

EPITELEO future active

EPI (intensify, fully) + TELEO (to bring to fruition)

to bring to fruition completely

*“After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, to fulfill the Scripture, *said, “I am thirsty.”*

*Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished!” And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.”
(John 19:28,30, NAS95S)*

**2Cor. 8:6; Gal. 3:3*

God will consummate, finish, bring to goal.

Salvation NEVER ends with man !

Phil. 1:6-8 ... until the day of Christ Jesus.

ἄχρι ἡμέρας Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ·

until

*the day believers meet Jesus Christ
in the air at the snatch-ure*

the day

the day

Phil 1:10

*emphasis on the season, quality
not exact time or day*

of Christ Jesus.

*only times where Christ is associated
with the parousia *Phil 1:6,10; 2:16*

Normally OT & NT - The Day of the Lord

*Does not mean God no longer cares for us in eternity.
only that he cares for us when we are physically separated*

Salvation begins and ends with Jesus Christ

Phil. 1:6-8

... For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all,

7 Καθώς ἐστὶν δίκαιον ἐμοὶ τοῦτο φρονεῖν ὑπὲρ πάντων ὑμῶν

For Not GAR, but KATHOS according as, just as

2531a. καθώς kathos; from 2596 and 5613; according as, just as: —according to(1), even as(13), even so(m)(1), how(2), just as(93), only(1), proportion(1), so(1), what(1).

it is only right it exists only right Right = what agrees with God's character

for me to me

to feel PHRONEO Phil. 1:7; 2:2,5; 3:15,19; 4:2,10 (ten times) to have mental attitude, to think, to have a mind-set, to set one's mind on

this way this Paul urges believers to have the same mind set *Phil 2:2; 4:2; 3:19

about you all, HUPER on behalf of all you(s)

Paul's Mental Attitude Effects His Feelings

Phil. 1:6-8

... since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, ...
ἐν τε τοῖς δεσμοῖς μου καὶ ἐν τῇ ἀπολογία καὶ βεβαιώσει τοῦ εὐαγγελίου

5037. **τέ** *te*; a prim. enclitic particle; *and* (denotes addition or connection): —alike(1), along with(m)(1), also(7), both(37), even(1), only*(1), only(1), or(1), or*(1), well*(2), whether *(1).

since both

in my imprisonment

DESMOS

root- to bind

and in the defense

APOLOGIA

word + from, back from
Acts 22:1; 25:16

and confirmation

BEBAIOSIS

Rom. 4:16; 1Cor. 1:8; 2Cor. 1:7;
Heb. 6:16; 2Pet. 1:19

root- to make stable, sure

of the gospel,

EUANGELION

All technical legal terms

not in only narrow sense, but the support and implications of the gospel

In Spite of Circumstances, Paul thought of others before himself

Phil. 1:6-8 ... **you all are partakers of grace with me.**
συγκοινωνούς μου τῆς χάριτος πάντας ὑμᾶς ὄντας.

partakers

*SUN (together with) + KOINWNOS (partners)
<Mal. 2:14, Luke 5:10> Rom. 11:17; 1Cor. 9:23; Phil. 1:7; Rev. 1:9*

with me

*(of/with) me Christian-ese fellowship
requires physical proximity*

of grace

*(of) the grace (system, plan, totality)
article tells that it is specific, definite, entity
not - Col. 4:6 Let your speech always be with grace,*

all you(s)

Philippian believers, yes, and even all believers

existing *condition or circumstance of main verb - 'hold in my heart'*

***Believers are Joint-Partners in the Effect,
Witness, and Activity of God's Grace***

Phil. 1:6-8 **For God is my witness, ...**
ὁ μάρτυς γάρ μου ὁ θεός

For *GAR* *to explain further, usually what preceded*

my witness *MARTUS* *one to tell what seen/knows*

*God knows all, even the inner
motives of a man, hence he knows all*

God *God is Paul's witness*

God Knows What is True

Phil. 1:6-8 ... *how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus* ὡς ἐπιποθῶ πάντας ὑμᾶς ἐν σπλάγχνοις Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ.

how HOS as

I long EPIPOTHEO Phil. 1:8; 2:26; 4:1

for you all

to yearn, long

Rom. 1:11; 15:23;
2Cor. 5:2; 7:7,11;
9:14; Phil. 1:8;
2:26; 4:1; 1Th.
3:6; 1Tim. 6:19;
2Tim. 1:4;
James 4:5; 1Pet.
2:2

with the affection

SPLAGCHNON your guts

*Prov 26:22; Matt 9:36; 14:14;
15:32; Mk 9:22; Lu 1:78

of Christ Jesus

Attitude Resulted in Emotion, Not Visa Versa

The End