

beginning . . .

Philippians

EUANGELLION “Good News”
Phil. 1:5,7,12,16,27; 2:22; 4:3,15
euaggelion

Greeting 1:1-11

Paul’s Viewpoint toward His Circumstances 1:12-26

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Paul’s Viewpoint toward Philippian Circumstances 3&4

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Paul’s Past MA 3:4b-6

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Paul’s Present-Future MA 3:12-14

Exhortation for others toward same MA 3:15ff

Phil. 3:1a *Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord.*

To\ oi pon, adel foi-mou, caiete en kuriw.

Finally TO LOIPOS - the rest, remaining
the rest of the letter ? topic ?

my brethren EGW ADELPHOS - believers

rejoice → CHAIRW - to have a m.a. of inner satisfaction
command, directive

*Phil. 1:18; 2:17-18,28; 3:1; 4:4,10

Continue having a mental attitude of deep inner satisfaction

in the Lord EN KURIOS - in Lord (character, nature, quality)
centered on the Lord (person, works, words)

To write the same things again is no trouble to me

ta>ajta>grafein utin emoi«men ouk oknhron,

the same things

TO AUTOS - pl. things (teaching, doctrines, etc.)

① things ahead in 3,4

To write →

GRAPHW - to write

② things about rejoicing

to you(s)

HUMIN - 'to' you(s)

③ ??? way of thinking of JC, Timothy, Epaphroditus

to me

EME - 'by' me

again

MEN - indeed, on the other hand
- particle indicating; contrast, emphasis or continuation

(is)

added to the translation

not

OUK - causal connective

trouble

OKNJROS - hard, arduous, burden, irksome

Phil. 3:1c ... *and it is a safeguard for you.*

within δεκαθλίον.

and DE - mild pausal connective

for you HMIN - to/for you(s)

(it is) added to the translation

These words are formed from the alpha-privative and sphallo, which means “stumble, fall,” and by extension “fail, be foiled.

a safeguard/quality/character/nature

Matt. 27:64-66; Mark 14:44; Acts 5:23; 27:9; 1Th. 5:3; Heb. 6:19

failsafe, secure,

A + SPHALEIA —the condition of not slipping, a firm step³—means first of all stability,⁴ and then especially security and safety,⁵ certainty or assurance: “by far the most surely true answer”

not liable to fall, immoveable, steadfast, firm,

Phil. 3:2a *Beware of the dogs,*

Βλέπετε τοὺς κύναι,

Beware →

BLEPW - to see, look at, ~~watch out, take care~~

Consider, Take note ...

command, directive

the dogs,

HO KUNAS - the dogs

literal dogs, *pit bulls, etc.*

or normal language usage

Matt. 7:6; Luke 16:21; Phil. 3:2; 2Pet. 2:22; Rev. 22:15

Three aliterations

Three repetitions

vs. one entity (vs 3.3)

Phil. 3:2b *beware of the evil workers,*

bl eþete touß kakouß ergataß,

Beware →

BLEPW - to see, look at, watch out, take care

Consider, Take note ...

command, directive

the evil workers,

HO KAKOS ERGATJS

bad

**Col. 1:21, Prov. 10:29*

worker, effecter, producer

‘workers of iniquity’

Phil. 3:2c *beware of the false circumcision;*

bl eþete thñ katatomhñ.

Beware

BLEPW - to see, look at, ~~watch out, take care~~

Consider, Take note ...

command, directive

the mutilators,

HO KATATOMJ - the fully/completely cut ones

τομή (37 total words)

Number of different forms - 2:

περιτομή *circumcision* - 36

κατατομή *mutilation* - 1

Phil. 3:3a *for we are the true circumcision,*

h̄theiß gaꝛ ēsmen h̄Jperitomh/

for GAR - to explain further

we are →

EIMI - to exist

Believers

the true circumcision

THE (specific, identified, particular) circumcision group

context decides the particular aspect *my brethren

the false vs true circumscion

Phil. 3:3b *who worship in the Spirit of God*

oi° pneu^hmati qeouvl atreu^hnteß

'the ones' spiritually serving

LATREUW

*to serve: —offer service(1), serve(15), served(1),
serving(1), worship(1), worshiper(1), worshipers(1).
NAS 1981*

in the Spirit of God

PNEUMA THEOS

in or by

instrument, agent, location, sphere

Phil. 3:3b ... *and glory in Christ Jesus*

kai«kaucwmenoi en Cristw^ Ihsouv

and

EPEIDJ - causal connective

(the ones) boasting →

KAUCHAW - to boast, take pride in

in Christ Jesus

Phil. 3:3c ... *and put no confidence in the flesh,*

kai«ouk en sarki«pepoiqtēß,

and KAI - causal connective

no OUK - not

in the flesh EN SARKOS - in flesh (character/quality/nature)

(the ones) having put confidence



PEITHW - *part.* to be confident, persuaded

Phil. 3:4a *although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh.*

kai per egw e~~ch~~wn pe~~ch~~wsin kai en sarki.

although KAI + PER - causal connective

I myself EGW - causal connective

(...)

having → ECHW - part

confidence PEITHW - n.

even KAI - adverbial use

in the flesh. EN SARKOS - causal connective

Phil. 3:4b *If anyone else has a mind to put confidence
in the flesh,*

Εἰ τις δοκεῖ ἄλλοσ πεποιθεῖναι ἐν σαρκί·

If EI - causal connective

anyone else TIS - indefinite pronoun

is thinking → DOKEW - to think

another (way) ALLOS - indefinite pronoun

to put confidence PEITHW - causal connective

in the flesh EN SARKOS - causal connective

FACT:

**Some are
thinking this
way**

Phil. 3:4c ... *I far more:*

egw»mall on:

I EGW - personal pronoun

far more MALLON - adv

CONCLUSION:

**PAUL
MOST
CONFIDENCE
IN FLESH**

Confidence in the Flesh

Pattern
3:2

Contrast
3:3

Extension
3:5-6

the dogs	the ones spiritually serving by Spirit of God	according to law
the bad producers	the ones boasting in Christ	according to zeal (m.a.)
the mutilators ones	the ones not having confidence in flesh	according to righteousness

The End