

Discover the New Testament – Philippians 4

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Philippians 4:4 “Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!”

Philippians 4:6 “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.”

Philippians 4:6 (AMP) “Do not fret, worry, or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God.”

- This is a command from God. God does not give out hints, suggestions, or recommendations; only commands.
- Praying is communing, conversing, and talking with God; not to God, but with God.

Proverbs 3:5-6 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.”

I John 5:14-15 (AMP) “And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him; (we are sure of) that if we ask anything (make any request) according to His will (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we (positively) know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know (with settled and absolute knowledge) that we have (granted us as our present possessions) the requests made of Him.”

Hebrews 11:6 - “But without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”

Philippians 4:6 is man’s part

Philippians 4:7 is God’s part

Philippians 4:7 - “And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

- Peace defined: nothing missing, nothing lacking, nothing broken.
- Prayer and peace are closely connected!

- Smith Wigglesworth quote: “I never pray for more than 15 minutes, but I never go more than 15 minutes without praying.”

Isaiah 26:3; “Thou will keep him (me) in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he (I) trusts in Thee.”

Philippians 4:8 “Finally brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of a good report, if there is any virtue, and if there is anything praiseworthy- meditate on these things.”

Philippians 4:9 “The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, **these do** and the God of peace will be with you.”

Philippians 4:13 “I can do **all things through Christ** who strengthens (empowers) me.”

Philippians 4:19 “And my God shall supply **all** my (your) needs **according to His riches** in glory **by Christ Jesus.**”

John 16:15 - Jesus said, “All things that the Father has are mine. Therefore I said that He will take of what’s mine and declare, disclose, and transmit it to you.”

Review in reverse order:

Verse 23: “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.”
We have God’s grace: (His favor and His empowerment; His ability)

Verse 19: God is meeting all of our needs according to His riches.
We have grace (favor, enablement, empowerment), all of our needs are met.

Verse 13: We can do all things through Christ Who strengthens us.
We have grace (favor, enablement, empowerment); all of our needs are met, and we can do all things through Him.

Verse 7: We have God’s peace (nothing missing, nothing lacking, nothing broken).
We have grace (favor, enablement, empowerment); all of our needs are met; we can do all things through Him, and He’s given us His peace (nothing missing, nothing lacking, nothing broken).

Verse 4: Rejoice in the Lord always. How in the world can I rejoice in the Lord always?
Because we have His grace (favor, enablement, empowerment); all of our needs are met; we can do all things through Him, and we have His peace (nothing missing, nothing lacking, nothing broken).