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“BOOK BY BOOK” BIBLE STUDY NOTES

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Follow My Example (Philippians 4v1-3)

Philippians 4v1-3 (NIV)

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends! 2 I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3 Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Notes:

[1] The Apostle refers to the believers in Philippi very affectionately as: “my brothers and sisters”, “you whom I love”, “and long for”, “my joy”, “and crown” and “dear friends”. He expresses the type of love that God has for each of us.

- Jeremiah 33:3
- Romans 12:10

[2] He asks the believers to stand firm in the Lord because in this world we face all types of challenges:

[a] In this world we’ll face all kinds of trouble.

- John 16:33

[b] We are faced with different types of temptations.

- 1 Corinthians 10:13

[c] We are often faced with discouragement.

- 1 Samuel 30:6

[3] He mentions that they should be of one mind in the Lord – unity of mind.

- Romans 15:6

[4] He refers to them as co-workers.

- 1 Corinthians 3:9

[5] He reminds them about always keeping their focus on eternity – he mentions that their names are in the “Book of Life”.

- Colossians 3:2