

BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus” John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

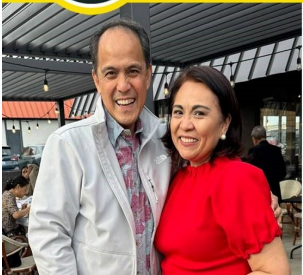
PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Reuel & Christine Tica | Philippines



PRAISE

- Praise God for the marriage of their youngest daughter, Denise, to Jonathan. They are thankful that God answered their prayers for a godly husband.
- Praise God for the engagement of their eldest daughter, Debbie, to her boyfriend whom she met at church in Canada.
- Praise God for the opportunity to lead pastors and their wives in a planning and prayer retreat focused on preparing for ministry, outreach, and potential new church plants in 2026.

PRAY

- Pray for wisdom and direction as Reuel and Christine lead pastors and their wives in planning ministries and outreaches for 2026. Ask God to guide their decisions and open doors for new church-planting opportunities.
- Pray that God will equip men, women, bfor ministry and outreach, raising up workers to reach communities throughout the Philippines.
- Pray for the eight church plants and ministry partners, asking God to strengthen their ministries and leaders.



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Study Date: 10/11/26

Joy: Experiencing Joy At All Times

The essence of Philippians 1:18 highlights the importance of preaching Christ, regardless of the intent behind it. This scripture, penned by the Apostle Paul while he was imprisoned, offers a profound glimpse into his perspective of joy amidst adversity. Despite undergoing trials and tribulations, his heart remained centered on the core purpose—the proclamation of Christ. What Paul is emphasizing here is that the motive behind the preaching matters less to him than the fact that the gospel is being shared. Regardless of whether people were preaching out of genuine faith or self-serving motives, Paul found joy in the knowledge that Christ was being preached. This revelation teaches us that God’s purpose can be fulfilled, even through imperfect vessels or questionable motivations.

This verse invites us to reflect on our own hearts. Are we focused on the spread of the gospel? Do we celebrate when others speak of Christ, no matter their intention? Paul’s attitude towards preaching can inspire us to rejoice in God’s work and trust that He can use every situation for His glory. The joy Paul speaks of serves as a reminder that our faith is not singularly dependent on the goodness of people’s motives but rather on the unwavering truth of the gospel itself. In essence, it challenges us to find joy in Jesus no matter the circumstances we face or the people around us.

As we reflect on Philippians 1:18, we are called to consider how we can respond to challenges in our lives. Are we like Paul, finding ways to rejoice no matter the circumstances? It is essential to celebrate the truth of the gospel. In uniting under the shared message of Christ, we foster community and support for one another. We are reminded that joy can be rooted in something much deeper than our current situations. By embracing this perspective, we align ourselves more with God’s heart and focus on His overarching plan.

Resource: Christianitypath.com

KEY VERSE

Philippians 1:18 (NKJV)

“What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice”

Read Philippians 1:12-21 & Galatians 5:22-23 Every Day

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Philippians 1:18

Introduction

1. What is Paul’s intent within the verse Philippians 1:18 in regard to sharing the Gospel? Should it be preached no matter what the intent might be?
2. Paragraph 2 on page 1 calls us to dig into our hearts and ask ourselves “are we focused on the spread of the Gospel?” When did YOU last share it?

Tuesday: Philippians 1:12-14; Romans 8:28-29

Always Focus On God’s Perspective To Be Full Of Joy

3. What can we all learn from Paul’s experience in prison? How does he turn a bad situation into an opportunity? (Philippians 1:12-14)
4. Romans 8:28 states that “*all things work for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.*” Are YOU called to it?

Wednesday: Philippians 1:15-18; II Timothy 2:24; Acts 20:19-24

Always Major On God’s Priority To Be Full Of Joy

5. What is conveyed to us in Philippians 1:15-16 in regard to how or why we “*preach Christ?*” Is the Gospel always preached for the glory of God?
6. What is firmly ingrained in Paul in terms of his mission according to Acts 20:24? Would he ever stray from his mission? What is our mission?

Thursday: Philippians 1:19; Ephesians 6:18-19; II Timothy 1:7

Always Rely On God’s Power To Be Full Of Joy

7. How often do you find yourself relying on “your own strength” to add joy to your life?
8. What does Paul’s experience in prison teach us according to Philippians 1:19? To *whom* does he credit his “*deliverance*” to?
9. How is II Timothy 1:7 an encouragement for all of us who follow Christ? What has God “*given us a spirit of?*”

Friday: Philippians 1:20-21; 1 Corinthians 10:31

Always Live For God’s Purpose To Be Full Of Joy

10. The world offers us many, many things to “live for” in this life. Pleasure, possessions and prestige. What place do YOU give to these things?
11. What does Paul mean in the statement; “*Christ will be magnified in my body?*” Is He magnified in YOURS? (Philippians 1:20)
12. We finish today’s questions with an abundantly clear message from I Corinthians 10:31. To *Whom* must we do all things to?