

## PHILIPPIANS WEEK 1 (15 JULY 2023)

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This week the first of 2 sessions on Paul's letter the Philippians. This letter, despite being one of Paul's shortest letters, has been extremely influential to Christian theology.

Read the letter (it's only a few pages!) and try to notice when Paul talks about the following topics, and what he says:

- "The gospel" (Can you try to define what he means with that?)
- The Trinity (Which roles does Paul assign to the 3 persons?)
- Christ
- Epaphroditus
- The Church
- Paul's history, identity and future
- Free will
- Death and the afterlife
- Joy

I'll begin our discussion by introducing the letter in detail and then we will look at this letters theological contributions based on your notes!