

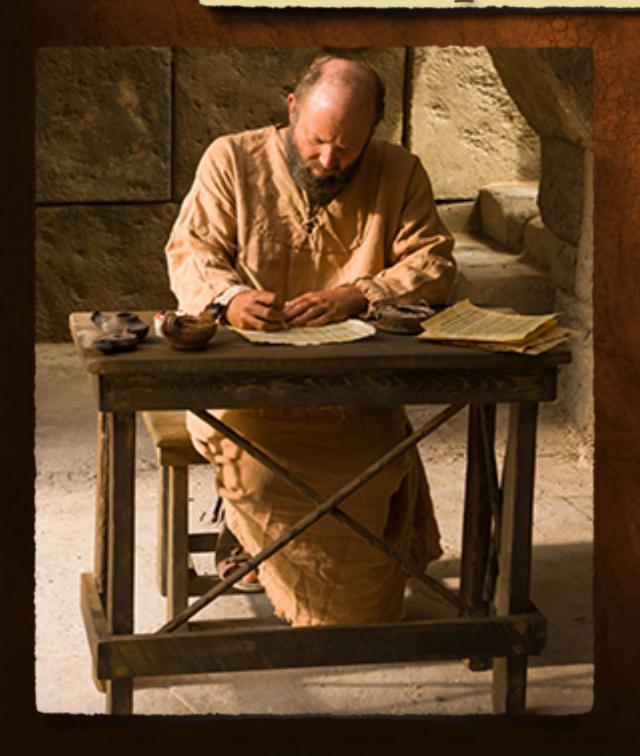
¹⁹ For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, 20 according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

²² But if *I* live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³ For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. 24 Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. 25 And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith,

²⁶ that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again. ²⁷ Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel,

²⁸ and not in any way terrified by your adversaries, which is to them a proof of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, 30 having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear is in me.

Example of Paul - 1:19-26



- Mutual prayer &
 dependance on God 19
- With complete confidence in God — 20
- Commitment to boldly MAGNIFY God — 20
- Sacrificial service regardless the cost — 21-24
- Helping others grow & rejoice in Christ 25,26

Conduct Worthy of The Gospel - 1:27

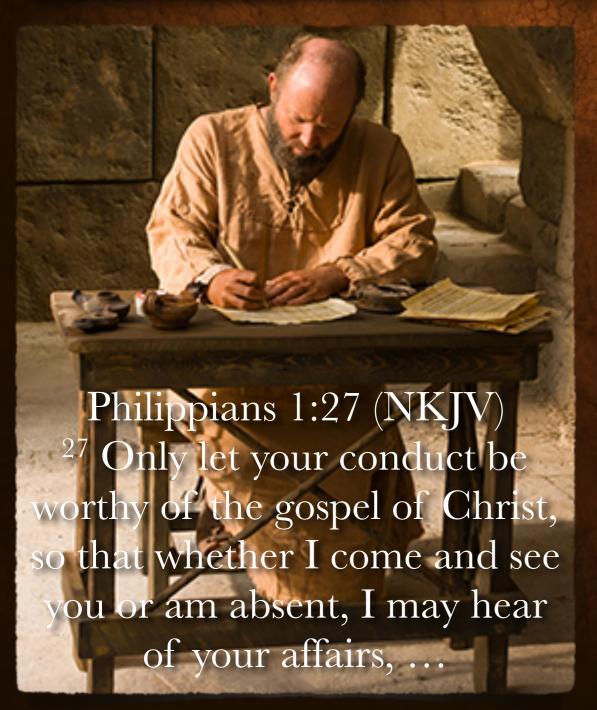


Philippians 1:27 (NKJV)

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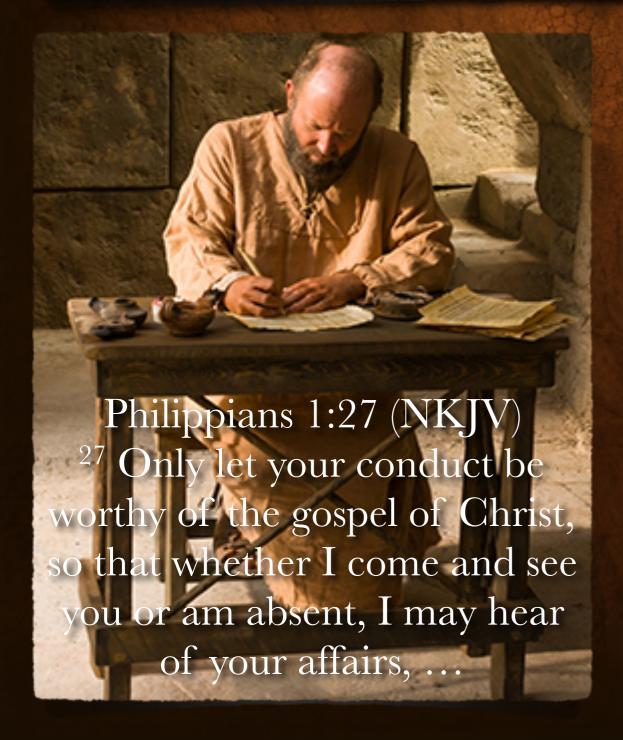
• CONDUCT - Politeuo, (Str 4176), signifies "to be a [GK polites] a citizen," signifying ... conduct characteristic of heavenly citizenship, rv, "let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ." Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary

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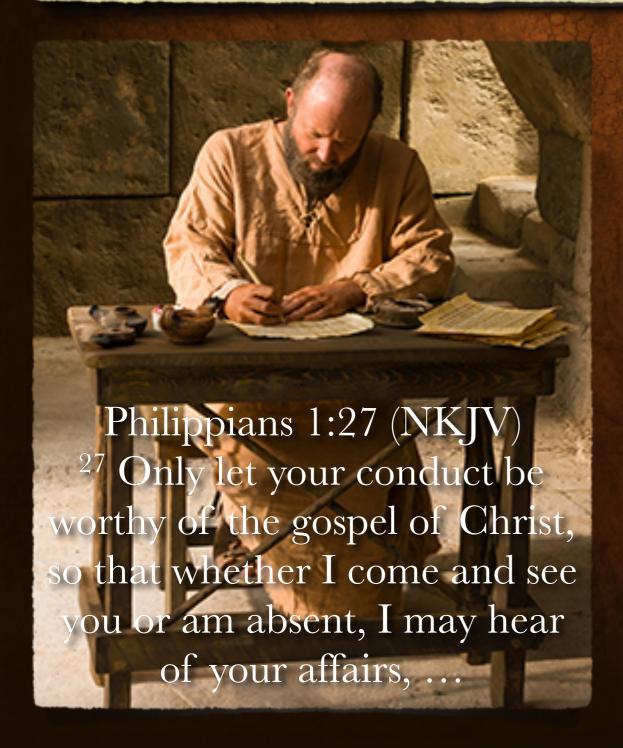
Philippians 3:18–21 (NKJV) ¹⁸ For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things. ²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ...

Conduct Worthy of The Gospel - 1:27



- Proper conduct as pilgrims,
 as strangers in a foreign land
 3:20; 1 Pet 2:11,12.
- We have been called by the gospel into God's kingdom & glory Jesus is our Lord & King 1 Thes. 2:12
- Conduct resulting in unity, due to conforming to the gospel message Eph 4:1

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- Paul did not want their faith to be an "environmental faith" vs 27; cf. 2:12; Heb 4:13; 6:9-12
- Examples:
 - Joseph Gen 39
 - Daniel Dan 1:8;
 - Hananiah, Mishel, Azariah Dan 5:12,16-18, 26-30
 - Paul Acts 16:23-25; etc.

Stand Fast As One United Body - 1:27



- Standing fast 1 Cor.
 15:58; 16:13, 14; Gal 4:1
 - With one, united attitude Acts 4:32; Eph 4:1-3; Phil. 2:1-4; Col. 3:1-3
 - With one, united mind 1 Cor 1:10; Jn 17:20,21; Eph 4:4-6; Rom 12:1-8; Phili. 2:5
 - With one, united agenda Eph 4:8-16; 1 Cor. 15:58

Striving Together For The Faith - 1:27



• Striving together - συναθλέω: to toil together with someone in a struggle, implying opposition and/or competition—'to labor alongside of, to toil with.' ... 'they have labored with me to spread the gospel' Php 4:3.

Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996). Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament: based on semantic domains (electronic ed. of the 2nd edition., Vol. 1, p. 514). New York: United Bible Societies.

Striving Together For The Faith - 1:27



JUDE 3 (NKJV)

³ Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

Striving Together For The Faith - 1:27



- As a team "strives together" for a victory, we are to strive together for "The Faith" Jude 3
 - Requires EFFORT, WORK
 1 Cor 15:58; Luke 10:2; 2
 Pet 1:5,10; Jn 6:27; Acts 25:35;
 Rom 16:6,12; 1 Cor 16:16 ...
 - Requires joint participation I Cor 12:13-31

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- As a team "strives together" for a victory, we are to strive together for "The Faith" Jude 3
 - The Faith needs to be proclaimed 2 Tim 4:2
 - The Faith needs to be defended - Jude 3
 - The Faith needs to be exemplified Mat 5:13-16

Willing To Suffer For Christ - 1:28-30

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- Proof of salvation Mat.
 10:28; Lu. 12:4-7; 21:12-19; Ac.
 4:19-31; 5:40-42; 14:22; 1 Th.
 2:2; 2 Ti. 1:7, 8; 3:12; He. 13:6.
- For Christ's sake 1 Pet
 2:18-25; Ac. 5:41; Ro. 5:3; Ja.
 1:2; 1 Pe. 4:13.
- Suffering together 1 Th. 2:14, 15; 3:2-4; 2 Ti. 2:10-12; 4:7; He. 10:32, 33; 12:4

Is OUR conduct worthy of the gospel?

Are we standing as firm & strong in the Lord as we should?

Are we working hard TOGETHER?

Willing To Suffer?

РНIЦРРIans 1:19-30

ROMANS 12:3-8 (NKJV)

³ For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. ⁴ For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function,

ROMANS 12:3-8 (NKJV)

⁵ so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. ⁶ Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; ⁷ or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; 8 he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.