

**Philippians:**  
**“Experiencing Joy In God’s Sovereignty”**

**Scriptural References**

**(All References Are From The English Standard Version, (ESV))**

**Chapter 1:3-8 - “Paul’s Joyful Prayer From A Roman Prison”**

**Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024**

**Philippians 1:3-8:**

**[3]** *I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,*

**[4]** *always in every prayer of mine for you’all, making my prayer with joy,*

**[5]** *because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.*

**[6]** *And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.*

**[7]** *It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.*

**[8]** *For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.*

**5 Hallmarks To Model In Our Christian Lives**

**According To Paul’s Prayer:**

**Verse 3:** *A Thankful Heart*

**Verse 4:** *A Joyful Spirit*

**Verse 5:** *A Focus On The Gospel*

**Verse 6:** *A Confident Hope In God’s Sanctifying Work In Our Lives*

**Verses 7 & 8:** *A Heart Of Affection For Others*

**Relating To Verse 3:**

Romans 1:8

*First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world.*

1 Corinthians 1:4

*I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus,*

**Relating To Verse 6:**

Philippians 1:29

*For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake*

**Relating To Verses 7 & 8:**

1 Corinthians 13:1

*If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.*