

Philippians - The Letter to Marlow



Recap - What we have learned

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Context, context, context

- Paul writes from prison
 - Paul, a devout Jew, gives it all up (including the law) to trust Jesus and live by the Spirit
- Gentile Christians don't need to become Jews to be in God's family
- Rome might be impressive but Rome's peace is not God's peace
- Christians are citizens of a different empire that is far greater
- This is the good news that we respond to with our love, loyalty and unity



Chapter 1 - Confidence in God





We have conviction to get on the plane because we know the pilot



Our Challenge: Spend more time with God



Chapter 2 - Humility and Honour



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We need to stop climbing the ladder and instead start climbing down to help others up



Our Challenge: Love fills the gap between God and Us



Chapter 3 - Modification or Transformation



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We don't need to know where we are going but we do need to know who we are going with



Our Challenge: Do we regard knowing Jesus intimately of more value than anything else?



Chapter 4 - The Gospel of Peace





Peace between us, in us and peace in all circumstances

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Our Challenge: The closer one approaches to God, the simpler one becomes Saint Teresa of Avila



In the end it's about God's peace and God's presence











Now, let's write our letter