

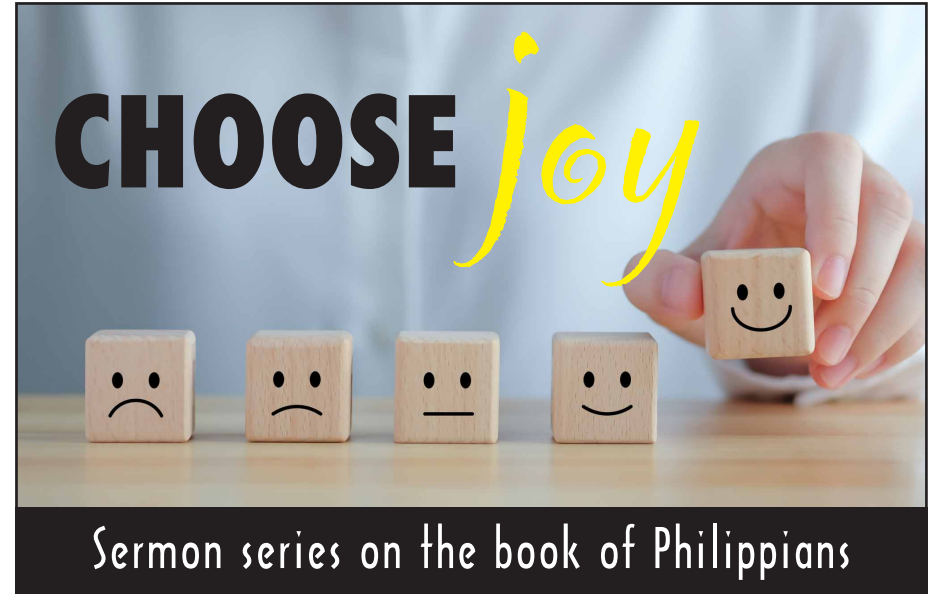
## Prayer Items - January 21st

### Israel Palestinian-Hamas War

- An end to the misery, hardship and agony for victims on both sides of this war.
- May God give peace to Israel and that region.
- May His comfort embrace those who have lost loved ones, or are suffering as hostages.
- Remembering God is sovereign in the nations and affairs of this world, let us remain focused on Him instead of present world circumstances.
- We will continue to pray for Israel and the Jews wherever they live; we pray they accept and acknowledge Jesus is the Messiah and come to Him.

### Study Continued

8. Read Philippians 2:25-30. Paul describes Epaphroditus as my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier. In what ways are we those things in each others lives?
9. While serving with Paul, Epaphroditus became ill and almost died. Paul says that he risked his life for Gospel. In what ways do we need to be courageous in our service of God, and how we live our lives?



*"For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."  
Philippians 1:21*

1. Grace, Peace, Partnership and Purpose 1:1-11
2. Live Life in View of Eternity 1:12-30
3. Change Your Thinking 2:1-11
4. **Shine Like Stars 2:12-30**

**Awana Clubs**  
Following two weeks of bad weather - CHILDREN'S MIDWEEK PROGRAM Starts this week Wednesday's 6.30-8pm

Peggles Cubbles Sparks engage

Today at 12.30am  
Following the 11am service

please join us for a  
**NEWCOMERS**  
lunch

## Choose Joy - Shine Like Stars - Phil 2:12-30

Acts 17:6 These men who have turned the world \_\_\_\_\_ have now come here.

### **INTEGRITY** v.12-13

Definition:

Proverbs 10:9 The person of integrity walks securely, but he who takes crooked paths \_\_\_\_\_.

v.12 Continue to \_\_\_\_\_ your salvation with fear and trembling.

v.13 for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill \_\_\_\_\_ good purpose.

### **HOLINESS** v.14-16

Holiness =

1 Peter 1:15-16 Be \_\_\_\_\_, because I am \_\_\_\_\_.

v15-16 In which you \_\_\_\_\_ in the universe as you hold out the \_\_\_\_\_.

### **AUTHENTICITY** v.19-24

Timothy:

v.22 Proved - comes from the Greek word: dokimé =

### **COURAGE** v.25-30

Epaphroditus:

v.30 Risked his life = comes from the Greek word: parabouleuomai =

1. Read Phil 2:12-13. What does the word 'therefore' refer to?

2. It was Dwight L. Moody who coined the phrase, "Character is what you are in the dark." What are some of the pressures we face that cause us to compromise our integrity?

3. Integrity doesn't happen by chance, Paul says, "Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling." How do we accomplish this?

What does verse 13 say about how this is accomplished?

4. Read Philippians 2:14-16. What is Paul referring to when he tells us to do everything without complaining or arguing? Why is important? How is this part of living a blameless and pure life? Also read 1 Peter 1:15-16.

5. What does it mean to, 'shine like stars?' Also read Matthew 5:14-16 and Daniel 12:1-3

What does it mean, 'hold out the Word of life?' and how do we do that?

6. Read Philippians 2:17-18. Under the Jewish sacrificial system a drink offering would be poured over sacrifices offered to God. Paul uses this as a metaphor to describe his own life. We have all been called to live a life of sacrifice. In what way are we to be a sacrifice to God? Also Read Romans 12:1.

7. Read Philippians 2:19-24. Authenticity is essential in our service to God and people. Paul says that Timothy has 'proved' himself. Pastor Peter talked about how this proving of ourselves is the like the smelting of precious metals to get rid of the dross and make it pure. With this in mind, how does this happen in our lives? What is our part in it? (Also read Job 23:10)