

Series: Joy Unbound
Passage: Philippians 4:2-9
Sunday: November 16, 2025

Philippians 4:2-9 (ESV)

Exhortation, Encouragement, and Prayer

² I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. ³ Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

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1. For each week of this series, we will start with the same question: where did you experience joy in your walk with Jesus this week?
 2. Verses 2-3 is a special appeal to two women in Philippi who are in conflict. When have you seen a dispute between Christians handled in a positive and healing manner?
 3. What does it look like for Christians to rejoice today?

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4. Why would many of the Philippians feel worried or anxious (verse 6)?

5. What are areas of your life that you consider to be too insignificant or even too impossible to bring to the Lord?

6. How does verse 8 relate to Paul's discussion of conflict in the church found in verses 2-3?

7. Reflect on the promises of verse 7 and 9. How have you experienced the peace of God amid difficult circumstances?