# Together for the Gospel 1. Gospel Joy (Phil. 1:1-11)

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#### Introduction

-Coal and Canaries

## 3 ways the Gospel produces true joy:

1. Gospel-centered identity (v1-2)

- 2. Gospel-centered partnership (v3-8)
  - Fellowship
  - Encouragement
- 3. Gospel-centered prayer (v9-11)

### Conclusion

## Philippians 1:1-11(NIV)

1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all God's holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons:

- **2** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3 I thank my God every time I remember you. 4 In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

7 It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. 8 God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

**9** And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, **10** so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, **11** filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.