





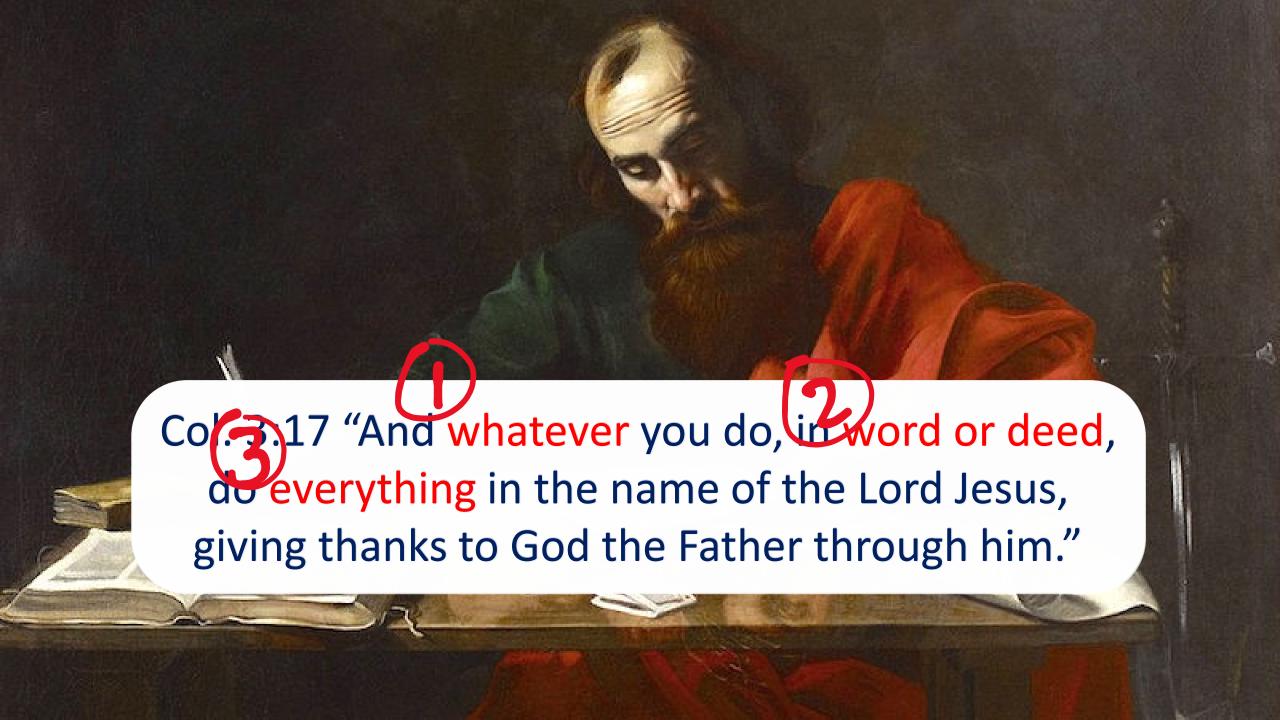
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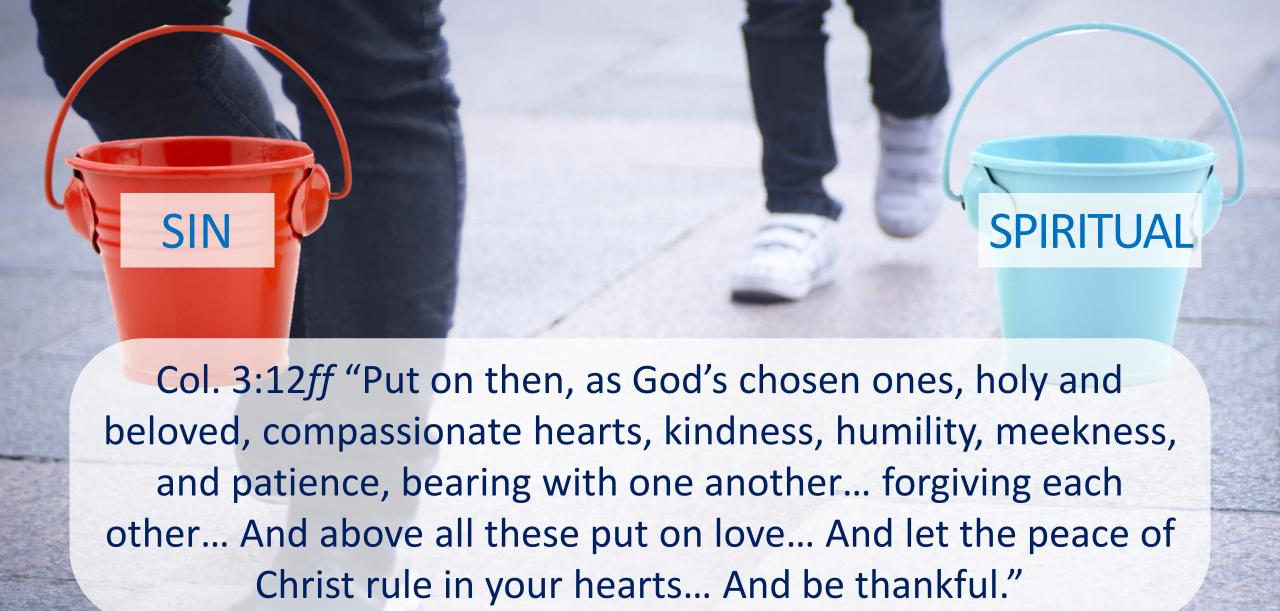
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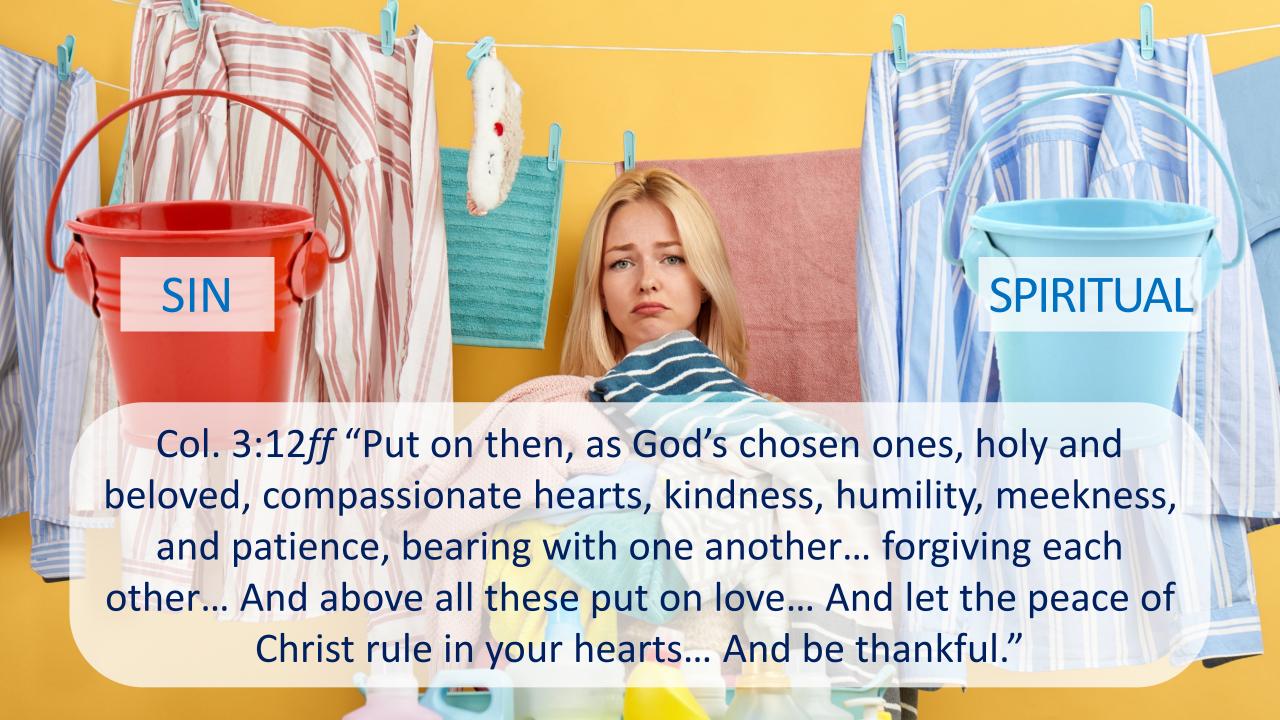


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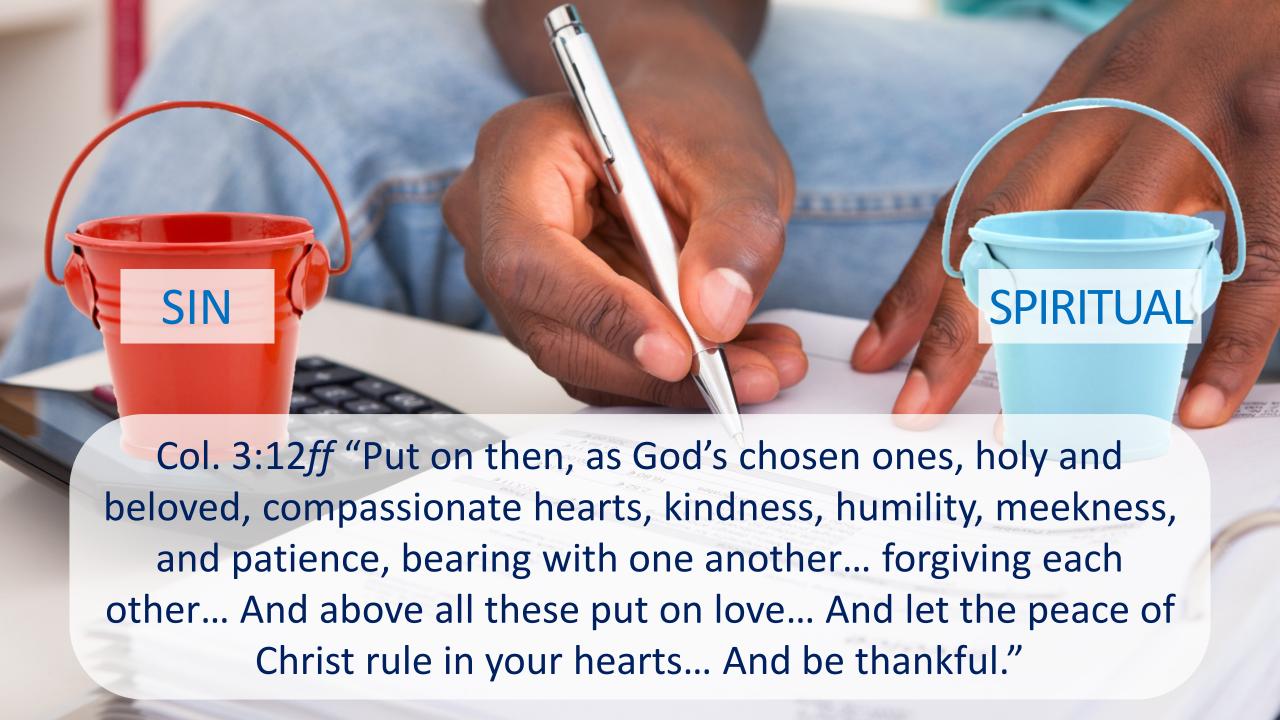








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Paul's equivalent to "God willing..."





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legomenon (λεγόμενον): say, speak

"hapax legomenon" a word used only once in the NT

Phil.
Lord cheered (εὐ-ψυχῶ): "good souled"

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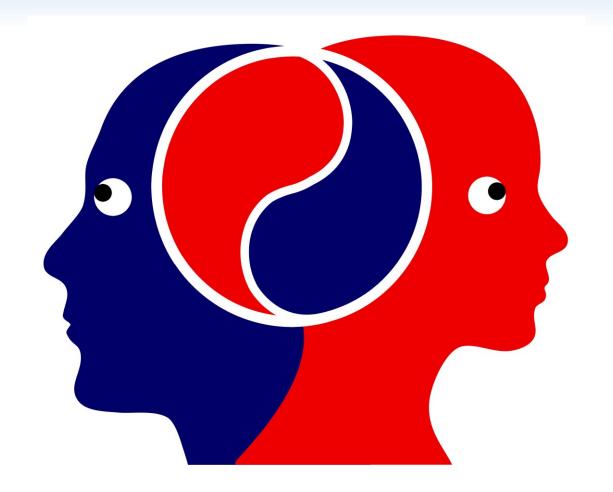
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Paul and
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How did the letter start???

Phil. 2:23-24 I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.

Phil. 2:23-24 τοῦτον μὲν οὖν ἐλπίζω πέμψαι ὡς ἀν ἀφίδω τὰ περὶ ἐμὲ ἐξαυτῆς πέποιθα δὲ ἐν κυρίῳ ὅτι καὶ αὐτὸς ταχέως ἐλεύσομαι.



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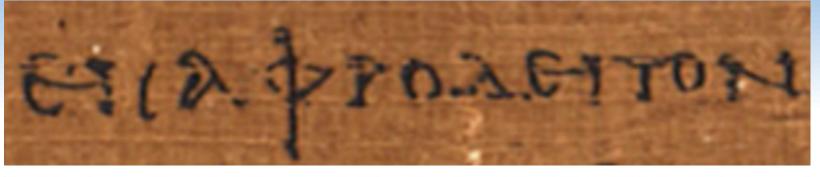
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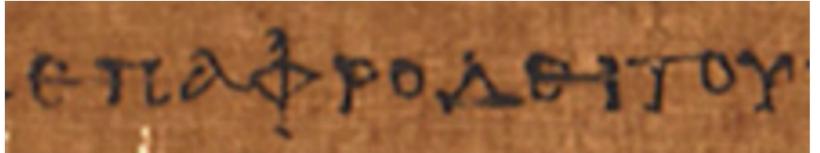


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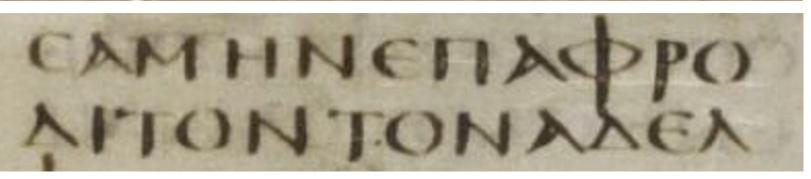
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Phil.

4:18

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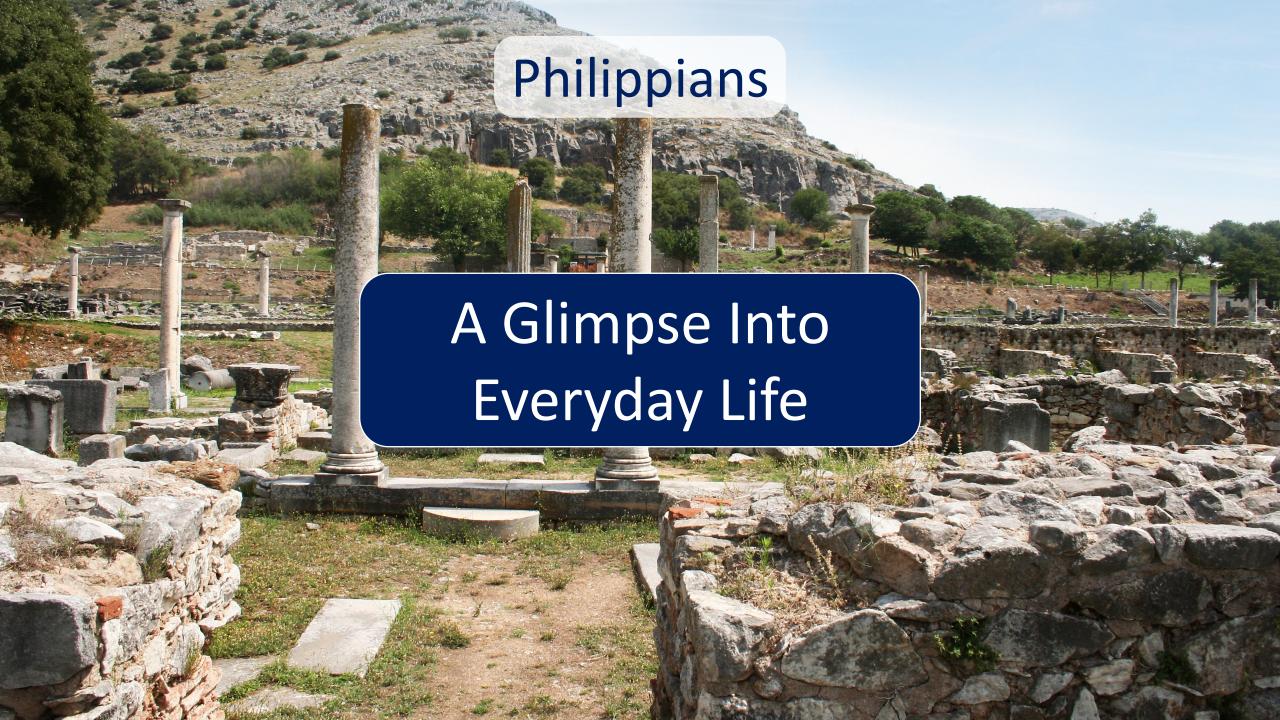
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Phil. 2:28-30 I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

Phil. 2:28-30 σπουδαιοτέρως οὖν ἔπεμψα αὐτόν, ἵνα ἰδόντες αὐτὸν πάλιν χαρῆτε κάγὼ άλυπότερος ὧ. προσδέχεσθε οὖν αὐτὸν ἐν κυρίω μετὰ πάσης χαρᾶς καὶ τοὺς τοιούτους έντίμους έχετε, ὅτι διὰ τὸ ἔργον Χριστοῦ μέχρι θανάτου ήγγισεν παραβολευσάμενος τῆ ψυχῆ, ἵνα ἀναπληρώση τὸ ύμῶν ὑστέρημα τῆς πρός με λειτουργίας.







Could Paul find me a kindred spirit?

"Genuinely concerned for your welfare...

[and] the interests... of Christ."

(Phil. 1:20-21)

Points to Ponder:



Who am I?

"brother... fellow worker... fellow soldier... messenger... minister..." (Phil 2:25)





Seek the "But God..." and accept his plans

"... But God had mercy." (Phil 2:27)

