

PHILIPPIANS

STRUCTURE

Here is one idea:

1:1-11 Thanksgiving and prayer

1:12-26 Paul's circumstances and priorities – progress of the gospel and the Philippians

1:27-4:3 The main body of the letter – contend for the gospel in a united way

1:27-30 The advance of the gospel despite opposition

2:1-4 Thinking the same for the sake of others

2:5-11 The way of the cross and the mind of Christ

2:12-18 The advance of the gospel despite opposition

2:19-30 Paul's circumstances and the example of Timothy and Epaphroditus

3:1 – 4:1 Don't be like the enemies of the cross

3:1-11 Share in Jesus's death by counting all things loss to know him

3:12 – 4:1 Wait for his glory

4:2-3 Share the mind of Christ as you contend for his gospel

4:4-23 Partnering in the gospel

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GETTING STARTED

