

Thank You, God, for the Possibilities!

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Scripture: Philippians 1:3-11; *New King James Version (NKJV)*

Background: Acts 18:18-21; 19:18-20; Ephesians 3:1-21

Part 3: "God's Possibilities Are In The Process"

The Recap: As we bring this series to a close, **The Recap** gives you an opportunity to reflect on where we've been, renew your hearts, and prepare for the new doors God is opening in this next season. **Let's review.**

Part 1: "Strength for What's Ahead" (Ephesians 3:14-21).

In this message, Paul reminded us that "possibility" begins with God's capacity. Therefore, God's people would experience the transforming reality of His presence and mighty power because He **"is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think" (v. 20).**

Part 2: God Opens Possibilities Where None Seem to Exist"

(Isaiah 43:14-19). Through the prophetic word of Isaiah, God assures Judah He is still God; exile does not cancel His covenant purposes, for **He is about to do something new (v. 19)**-- something that has never existed before, or a radical restoration that makes a place or person fresh and alive again.

In today's message, we will visit Paul's Prison Epistles to the church at Philippi.

Context: Paul writes this letter while he was imprisoned in Rome (around 60–62 AD) to encourage believers to shift their focus from worldly accolades to the surpassing worth of knowing Jesus Christ. He begins his letter with gratitude and prayer for the Philippians. He expresses his thankfulness for their partnership in the gospel and prays for their love to abound more and more. The Greek word for "partnership" (κοινωνία, koinonia) emphasizes the deep fellowship and shared mission in spreading the gospel.¹

Beloved, God is faithful to the process because what He begins in us He continues through us for His glory. Our responsibility is to remain focused on Christ. **TGBTG!**

Content: Philippians 1:3-11 (NKJV)

Joy is the pathway for the process...

³ I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, ⁵ for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now,

...because God initiates the process.

⁶ being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ;

Therefore, God shapes the process...

⁷ just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. ⁸ For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ.

...to be positioned for possibility.

⁹ And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, ¹¹ being filled with the fruits of righteousness which *are* by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

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¹ <https://biblehub.com/philippians/1.htm>