

Philippians 1:3-4 (NLT)

³ Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. ⁴ Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy,

Philippians 1:5 (NLT)

⁵ for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now.

Philippians 1:6 (NLT)

⁶ And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.

The Happiest Man in Rome?

Philippians 1:1-6



Acts 16:30-31 (NIV)

He then brought them out and asked, **Sirs,**
what must I do to be saved?

³¹ They replied, **Believe in the Lord Jesus,**
and you will be saved...

Philippians 4:15 (NET)

...you Philippians know, at the beginning of my
gospel ministry, when I left Macedonia,
**NO CHURCH shared with me in this matter of
giving and receiving except you alone.**

Galatians 3:3 (NIV)

...After **beginning with the Spirit**, are you now trying to attain your goal **by human effort**?

¹ Paul and Timothy, **Slaves** of Christ Jesus... (HCS)

¹ Paul and Timothy, **Bond-Servants** of Christ
Jesus... (NAS)

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WHEN I think of you - **I Give THANKS for you**

ALL my prayers for you - are **Full of JOY**

You are my **PARTNERS** in the ministry

Philippians 4:15-16 (NLT)

- ¹⁵ As you know, you Philippians were **the ONLY ONES who gave me financial help** when I first brought you the Good News and then traveled on from Macedonia. **No other church** did this.
- ¹⁶ Even when I was in Thessalonica **you sent help more than once.**

⁶ And I am certain that God, who **BEGAN** the
good work **WITHIN** you,
will **CONTINUE** His work until it is **Finally Finished**
on the day when Christ Jesus **returns**. (NLT)

Romans 5:1 (NIV)

...since we have been **JUSTIFIED** through faith,
we have **peace with God** through our
Lord Jesus Christ...

Justification- declared righteous

Romans 8:1 (NIV)

...there is now **NO condemnation** for those
who are **IN Christ** Jesus...

⁶...God, who **BEGAN** the good work
WITHIN you...

...will **CONTINUE** His work until it is
finally finished

Sanctification- ongoing work of the Holy Spirit shaping and making us like Jesus

Hebrews 10:12-14 (NIV)

But when this priest had offered for
all time **ONE sacrifice** for sins,
He SAT DOWN at the right hand of God.

¹³ Since that time He waits for His enemies
to be made His footstool, ¹⁴ because by
ONE sacrifice **He HAS MADE** perfect forever
those who **are BEING MADE** holy.

⁶ ...God, who **BEGAN** the good work **WITHIN** you, will **CONTINUE His work** until it is **finally finished** on the day **WHEN** Christ Jesus returns. (NLT)

1 John 3:2 (NIV)

...what we **WILL BE** has not yet been made known. But we know that **when HE appears**,
we shall be **LIKE HIM**,
for we shall **SEE HIM** as He is.

→ do NOT confuse

Justification and
Sanctification

→ God **NEVER** gives up on us

→ **Go with Humility and Gentleness**

Don't look for or demand perfection from others.
Look for evidence of God's Grace in people's lives.

Be quick to thank God for Christian virtues in
others, and remember that

sanctification is a slow process. CCE

I am **CONFIDENT** of this, that
He who began a **good work IN YOU**
WILL Carry **IT ON** to **COMPLETION...**

1 Thessalonians 5:24 (JBP)

...He who calls you is **utterly FAITHFUL**
and **He Will FINISH** what He has set out to do.