Philippians "Living Worthy of the Gospel" Philippians 1:12-30

Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. 13 As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ...

14 And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear. 15 It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ...

16 The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. 17 The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains, 18 But what does it matter? The important ...

thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice

Trustworthy Statement

It doesn't matter what happens to you in life ... as much as how you respond to it.

Advance

"advance" is the Greek "prokopen."
Originally this term denoted making headway in spite of blows and so depicted progress amid difficulties.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, 19 for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the **Spirit of Jesus Christ what has** happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. 20 I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient ...

courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. 22 If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! 23 I am torn between ...

the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; 24 but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.

25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue...

with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel 28 without ...

being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. 29 For it has been granted ...

to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, 30 since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

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Conduct

"conduct"
in Greek is
"politeuomai"
Meaning: to be a citizen.

Koinonia

Fellowship: the unity of the Spirit that comes from Christians' shared beliefs, convictions, and behaviors.

Partnership: helping, empowering, and serving each other to enrich a shared ministry.

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Strive together

"Strive together" is just one word in the Greek: synathlountes,

A compound word.

"Syn" is a prefix that works like our prefix "co," as in "co-laborers" or "co-educational."

Strive together

We get our word athletics from "anthlountes."

Synathlountes literally means "to wrestle in company with,"

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Philippians 1:29-30 (paraphrased)

"You have been graced not only to believe in Christ, but to also suffer for Him. You are fighting the fight I had in Philippi, which is the same one I am still fighting here and now."

For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, ...