

## "Exhortation to Harmony in the Church" (Philippians 4:1-3)

- I. THE SALUTATION OF "PHILIPPIANS" (1:1-2)
- II. PAUL'S PRAYER FOR THE PHILIPPIANS (1:3-11)
- III. PAUL'S PERSPECTIVE IN HIS CIRCUMSTANCES (1:12-26)
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### I. Exhortation to HARMONY (v 1-3)

#### A. The Communication of Love (v1)

1. Verse 1 serves as a \_\_\_\_\_, summing up what has been said and \_\_\_\_\_ the stage for an exhortation regarding \_\_\_\_\_ in the church

\* therefore -

2. In verse 1, there is a statement of \_\_\_\_\_ and an admonishment to \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord

\* How does Paul describe his love for these believers?

\* stand fast -

\* Where are we to stand fast?

\* What are we to stand fast in?

\* What is important about Paul expressing his love for them?

#### B. The Urging of Love (v 2-3)

1. Love is needed when seeking to \_\_\_\_\_ conflict in the church

2. A \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ existed between two \_\_\_\_\_ in the church

\* Was it merely confined to them?

\* What can we note about the conflict?

\* Why do conflicts arise in the church?

3. God wants conflicts in the church \_\_\_\_\_

a. \_\_\_\_\_ person involved is responsible to resolve the conflict

b. It is to be done in a spirit of \_\_\_\_\_ (Gal 6:1)

c. God wants \_\_\_\_\_ to take the initiative

d. It may be helpful and \_\_\_\_\_ to utilize a \_\_\_\_\_ believer to help resolve the conflict

e. Paul appealed to someone in the church called \_\_\_\_\_

\* Who is this?

\* Help

f. The goal is always \_\_\_\_\_

g. Be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

\* How was this true of Paul?

1)

2)

3)

h. The goal of restoration within the body is to \_\_\_\_\_ with the gospel

\* What else can we observe here?

\* What does this mean to you?