

WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL

Philippians 1:27-30

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Monotheistic faith found little company in the ancient city of Philippi.

Introduction: Acts 16:11-40

I. Paul advocates for “conduct worthy of the gospel.”

- The main body of the letter begins in Philippians 1:27, with teachings about *unity in adversity*.
Philippians 1:27
- Worthy living in the church reflects the unifying work of the Spirit.
Philippians 1:27; Ephesians 4:3
- The Philippians were not divided, but guarding against division was essential for standing against adversaries.
Philippians 1:28-30

- Persecution itself could have driven wedges between Christians.

II. Paul’s description of “worthy living” might not be what one would expect – especially in a pagan city.

- “Conduct worthy of the gospel” looks like Philippians 2:1-4.
Philippians 2:1-4, 5-11
- Internal church health gives brightness to the shining light of the gospel.
Philippians 2:12-15

No one is worthy of salvation, but all Christians are called to live worthy of being saved.