

Message #2

Joy
from
Progress

Philippians

4:1 Therefore, my brothers,
whom I love and long for, my
joy and crown, stand firm thus
in the Lord, my beloved.

Ever Increasing Joy

Philippians

1:27 ... I may hear of
you that you are
standing firm...

Catch
Phrases

Joy from Progress
Unity from Humility
Christ above All

How can the entire church at Philippi continue to *stand firm*?

Chapter 1: The Philippians would *stand firm* if they rejoiced in the advance of the gospel no matter what.

Chapter 2: The Philippians would *stand firm* if they followed the pattern of joyful humility set out by others.

Chapter 3: The Philippians would *stand firm* if they really, deeply and personally experience the joy of knowing Christ.

Chapter 4: The Philippians would *stand firm* if they rejoiced in God's provision.

Philippians

1:27 ... I may hear of
you that you are
standing firm...

In order to rejoice in the advance of the gospel we have to...

Approve What is Best (v9-11)

if you have knowledgeable love

if you have discerning love

You will be able to prove by testing what is
worth the most

with the result that you are pure

with the result that you are blameless

Philippians

1:27 ... I may hear of
you that you are
standing firm...

Rejoice in the advance of the gospel?

Joy—16 times

Advance the Gospel (v12)

No matter what (v18)

Video

Philippians

1:27 ... I may hear of
you that you are
standing firm...

Some hindrances to our Joy &
Partnership in the Gospel...

Division (v27)

Fear (v28)

Giving Up (v29-30)

How can the entire church at Philippi continue to *stand firm*?

Chapter 1: The Philippians would *stand firm* if they rejoiced in the advance of the gospel no matter what.

When we approve what is best, we will be able to rejoice in the advance of the gospel no matter what and avoid the hindrances to our joy.