

A silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer, facing right, with hands clasped. The background is a light blue sky with vertical rays of light. The bottom of the image shows a brown horizon line and a strip of green grass.

***A Peaceful,
Easy Feeling***

Philippians 4

Church at Philippi

Founded on 2nd journey of Paul

Lydia – Slave Girl – Jailer

One of Paul's favorite congregations

Philippians 1

Paul in Roman Jail

Tough Choice – to stay or depart

Encouragement for the church

Philippians 2

What the church should LOOK LIKE

What the church should DO

What the believer should LOOK LIKE

What the believer should DO

Philippians 3

Total Surrender


Right Behavior

Perseverance



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***In whatever
situation we face,
God promises joy
and peace if we trust
in Him and not in
ourselves.***

Philippians 4:4-6

The Work of God

We rejoice in the Lord because
of **WHAT HE DID**

Philippians 4:7


The Protection of God

We rejoice in the Lord because
of **WHAT HE PROMISES**

Philippians 4:8-9

The Character of God

We rejoice in the Lord because
of WHO HE IS

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A silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer, with their head bowed and hands clasped. The background is a vibrant blue with vertical light rays emanating from behind the figure. The overall mood is one of devotion and spiritual reflection.

My Response

Pray

Listen

Remember

Prepare

Persevere



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I know change for many of our LGBT brothers and sisters must have seemed so slow for so long. But compared to so many other issues, America's shift has been so quick. I know that Americans of goodwill continue to hold a wide range of views on this issue. Opposition in some cases has been based on sincere and deeply held beliefs. All of us who welcome today's news should be mindful of that fact; recognize different viewpoints; revere our deep commitment to religious freedom.

But today should also give us hope that on the many issues with which we grapple, often painfully, real change is possible. Shifts in hearts and minds is possible. And those who have come so far on their journey to equality have a responsibility to reach back and help others join them. Because for all our differences, we are one people, stronger together than we could ever be alone. That's always been our story.