



15th June 2025
*Blessed are the
peacemakers*
Philippians 4:1-9

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called
children of God.*

Matthew 5:9

Readings: Philippians 4:1-9

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RECOGNISE THE HEARTS WE ALL HAVE 4:2

I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord

- *We are just like Euodai & Syntyche!*
- *How well do you really know your own heart?*

RECEIVE THE HELP WE ALL NEED 4:3

Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

- *We who would be “helpers” MUST BE...*
- *And we who need to be “helped” MUST BE...*

- *Because Gospel-driven reconciliation is always...*
 - *Christ-centred “in the Lord” 4:1-2*
 - *Biblically logical “Therefore” 4:1*
 - *Pastorally compassionate “whom I love and ...” 4:1*
 - *Deeply emotional “I plead...” 4:2*
 - *Profoundly relational, “Yes and I ask you...” 4:3*
 - *Radically missional “in the cause of the gospel” 4:3*

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS 4:4-5

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near

- *It safeguards us from people pleasing 3:2 and personal pride 3:3 and the enemies of the cross 3:18-19*
- *It transforms us to be more and more like Jesus 3:10*
- *It heals our broken relationships and restores the peace of God 4:6-11*

Questions For Our Growth Groups

1. What most stood out to you and why from this message?
2. Who, according to Paul in chapter 3 must we not seek *peace at any price with* and why is this a gospel issue? Check out: **3:2 and 3:18-19**
3. What are the situations that may make us like Euodia & Syntyche in our relationships sometimes?
4. What **MUST** those of us who seek to help be in our heart attitudes and why?
5. What **MUST** those of us who need help be in our heart attitudes and why?
6. Where does Gospel-driven reconciliation lead us?