

Are you a Saint or Sinner?

Philippians 1:1-2 Part 2

1:1b to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi

Introduction:

1 Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Christ Jesus, to all the **saints** in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, including the overseers and deacons 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Are you a saint or a sinner ?	A - I'm a Saint	B - I'm a Sinner	C - I'm both a Saint and a Sinner
	D - I'm a Saint, who sins	E - I'm a Sinner, trying to live Saintly	

#1 What does it mean when God calls His children _____?

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1 Corinthians 1:2 to the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours:

Psalm 16:3 who are God's delight	Daniel 7:18 who possess God's kingdom forever
Romans 8:27 whom the Spirit intercedes for	1 Corinthians 6:2 who will judge the world
1 Corinthians 16:1 we take collections for	2 Corinthians 9:1&12 we minister to
Ephesians 1:15 we show love for	Ephesians 3:18 Paul said, he was the least of
Ephesians 4:12 whom pastor-teachers equip	Ephesians 6:18 whom we pray for
Colossians 1:12 who receive an inheritance	1 Thessalonians 3:13 who return with the Lord Jesus

1st Our Holy _____ in Christ

'Set apart and consecrated for the purpose of God's service'

2nd Our Holy lifestyle _____

Ephesians 5:3 But do not let immorality or any impurity or greed even be named among you, as is proper among **saints**; 4 and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. 5 For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

2 Corinthians 5:15 ...He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. Philippians 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves;

#2 How can God call us saints, when we _____?

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Theology

2 Corinthians 5:17 if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

Romans 6:6-7 knowing this, that our **old self was crucified with Him**, that our body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin; 7 for he who has died is freed from sin.

Ephesians 4:22-24 22 that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, 23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and put on the new self, which is the likeness of God.

Colossians 3:9-10 Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the one who created him

Romans 7:21 I find then the principle that evil is present in me, the one who wishes to do good. 22 For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man, 23 but I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind, and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members.

Romans 7:24 Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

#3 If we are saints, then how are we to accurately _____ ourselves?

1st As _____ related to Christ 1:1b to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi

2nd As _____ body in Christ 1:1b to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi
Philippians 4:21 Greet every saint in Christ Jesus...

3rd As one _____ in Christ 1:1b to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi

4th As one who is away from _____ 1:1b to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi
Acts 16:12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia,
a Roman colony; and we were staying in this city for some days.
Philippians 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven

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Conclusion:

1 Turn to _____ alone for salvation?

Acts 3:19 Repent and return, that your sins may be wiped away,
in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord;

2 _____ you are dead to sin

Romans 6:11 Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

3 Walk away from _____ and practice holiness

Romans 6:13 and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.

4 _____ your sin

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Psalm 119:11 Your word I have treasured in my heart, That I may not sin against You.

5 Get _____ to a godly person

James 5:16 confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another Galatians 6:2 Bear one another's burdens

6 _____ on the Spirit and _____ Godliness

Questions for GROWTH - take time this week, as a family, individual or ministry to answer...

- 1-What principles from the phrase we studied today, belong only to the Philippians and which belong to all Christians?
- 2-What difference does knowing your position in Christ [like your old nature begin dead] make in your daily lifestyle?
- 3-If Christians are equally related to Christ, how should that truth affect the way we treat each other?
- 4-What steps are truly necessary for an individual believer to truly function as ONE BODY with Christ's Church?
- 5-How can Christians cultivate less affection for living on EARTH and more affection for their true home, HEAVEN?