Joy for the Journey - A Study of Philippians

“We Can Work It Out”  
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Introduction:
A. Because churches are made up of __________ human beings, there has never been and will never be a __________ church on earth.
B. Nothing will destroy the church and its mission like ___________.

I. The Problem
A. There’s no doubt about how Paul _______ about these folks.
B. It is interesting to note that Paul often communicates in a positive way just before he is ___________.
C. We learn that there are _____ women in Philippi who are at odds with each other.
D. How sad to go down in history as the person who couldn’t _______ with others.
E. What do you want to be _______________ for?

II. The Solution
A. We notice that Paul’s first charge was to the __________ themselves to settle the problem in the Lord.
   1. It is always best when two people who have a problem go to each other _______ and try to _______ it out (Mt. 18:15).
   2. We notice that Paul’s charge to the women was to agree “in the _______."
B. Paul’s second charge was to _______ in the congregation to _______ these two women get along.
   1. Sometimes the situation between two people is so hurtful or emotionally charged that someone ___________ needs to work as a ___________.
C. How can we help others resolve their differences?
   1. Don’t become part of the ____________. (Pr. 18:17)
   2. Help them get a spiritual ________________. (Phil. 2:1-11)
   3. Be very ________, ________, and __________. (Gal. 6:1; Mt. 5:9)

Conclusion:
A. Don’t be surprised by __________ in the church.
B. Keep in mind that conflict is a __________ of Satan.
C. With God’s ________ and God’s ________, we can work it out!