



## Stand Firm

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**NT Reference:** Luke 10:20; John 17; Acts 16; 1 Tim. 2:8

**Philippians 4.** *Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.<sup>2</sup> I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.*

**In this text:** the apostle Paul admonishes the Philippian church to work together through what ultimately binds them together.

**For us today:** we must also look to our position in the Lord and our destination for eternity as guiding principles for how we interact in the local church.

- Stand \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 1)
  - A Godly affection
    - Whom I love

- Whom I long for
- My \_\_\_\_\_
- My \_\_\_\_\_

- A Godward position
  - In the \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ Stop \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 2)

- \_\_\_\_\_
- Have this \_\_\_\_\_

*complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. (Phi 2:2 ESV)*

- in the \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ Start forging. (vs. 3)

- Active intervention.

“Division in the body like this not only damages the health of the church but also affects our witness to the world.” – Tony Merida

- \_\_\_\_\_ participation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ anticipation.

**Luke 10:20** *Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."*

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