



# PAULINE *Epistles*

**Welcome to a New Study on  
Paul's Minor Epistles**

**Sanford church of Christ**

# Schedule of Books in the Study:

- Galatians
- Ephesians
- **Philippians**
- Colossians
- 1 Thessalonians

- 2 Thessalonians
- 1 Timothy
- 2 Timothy
- Titus
- Philemon



# APOSTLE PAUL'S LETTER TO PHILIPPIANS



Also called, “Paul’s love letter to the Philippians”

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## Philippians 1:1 – 2 (ESV)

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













# The Via Egnatia





# Background to the city of Philippi:

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- It was mostly composed of Greeks.
- Jews were considered outsiders.
- The city was under Roman control.
- It's gold mines made it an important city.
- In about 356 BC, it was renamed Philippi after Philip II of Macedon, who was the father of Alexander the Great.
- It had a prominent school of medicine.
- It is believed by some that this is where Paul met Luke, the physician.

# Background to the Letter:

Paul first came to Philippi around 52 AD on his second missionary journey.

Paul returned to Philippi on his third missionary journey in about 57 AD.

Philippi in the New Testament:

- Acts 16:6 – 40
- Acts 20:1 – 6
- 1 Thessalonians 2:2

Paul praises their generosity (2 Corinthians 8:1 – 5; 2 Corinthians 11:8 – 9)

Paul wrote the letter from prison in Roman.

He wrote the letter sometime around 62 – 63 AD.