



## Attendees & Visitors

WELCOME TO CBC!! We are so glad you are virtually here! Please email any questions or prayer requests to [office@cornerstoneberean.org](mailto:office@cornerstoneberean.org)

### NCC Question 12: What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?

Ninth, that we do not lie or deceive, but speak the truth in love.  
Tenth, that we are content, not envying anyone or resenting what God has given them or us.  
James 2:8

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Our Mission:

To make disciples of Jesus by declaring and displaying the gospel together.

the **4** things

Connecting, Gathering, Serving, Sharing

## Weekly Financial Update

### April 26, 2020

YTD Budgeted GenFd Giving: \$132,289

YTD Actual GenFd Giving: \$114,453

YTD Actual GenFd Outflow: \$111,300

Bldg Impr Pledges: \$ 114,910

Bldg Impr Received: \$92,230

Bldg Impr Expenses: \$108,846

## Service Order - May 3, 2020

Our order of worship reflects the gospel pattern of hearing and responding: God calls us, revealing Himself to us; we respond in exultation that gives way to confession and contrition. God forgives and assures us; we respond with thanksgiving and professions of faith, with petitions and offerings. God instructs and charges us; we respond by going forth to declare and display His goodness.

It is good and right to prepare ourselves to worship, to quiet our souls and direct our hearts to know that He is God.

When God calls us to see Him as He is, our hearts either move to exultation or melt in apprehension. By grace we will exult!

God's holiness reveals our fallenness; and, by grace, we agree with His condemnation and confess our sinfulness. Confession and contrition are the roadways to salvation and the responses of those already saved.

God assures us of forgiveness and comforts us by reminding us of Christ and His cross. The redeemed respond by singing their thanksgiving, by professing their faith, and by petitioning His grace.

By the mercies of God, offer yourselves to Him and worship Him with your life.

Believers go forth and proclaim the excellencies of Christ by declaring His gospel with their mouths and by displaying its truth with their lives.

### Preparation for Worship

Prelude Music

### Welcome

Announcements

"Sing To The King"

### Call to Worship

Psalm 32:11, Psalm 33:1, Philippians 4:4

"Marvelous Light"

"Kyrie Eleison"

### Confession of Need

Job 42:2-6

"You Never Let Go"

"Only A Holy God"

Confessional Prayer

### Assurance of Pardon

Philippians 4:5-7

"Here I Am To Worship"

### Confession of Faith

New City Catechism #12

### Pastoral Prayer

Intercession and Petition

### Worship in Giving

Offering

### Message

by Pastor Kelly Larsen

### Missional Response

Benediction

# Cornerstonekids

go to: Philippians 4:1-9

I learned....

A question I have is...

Words I didn't understand...

What is God asking me to do, think, or be...

Pastor Roger said:

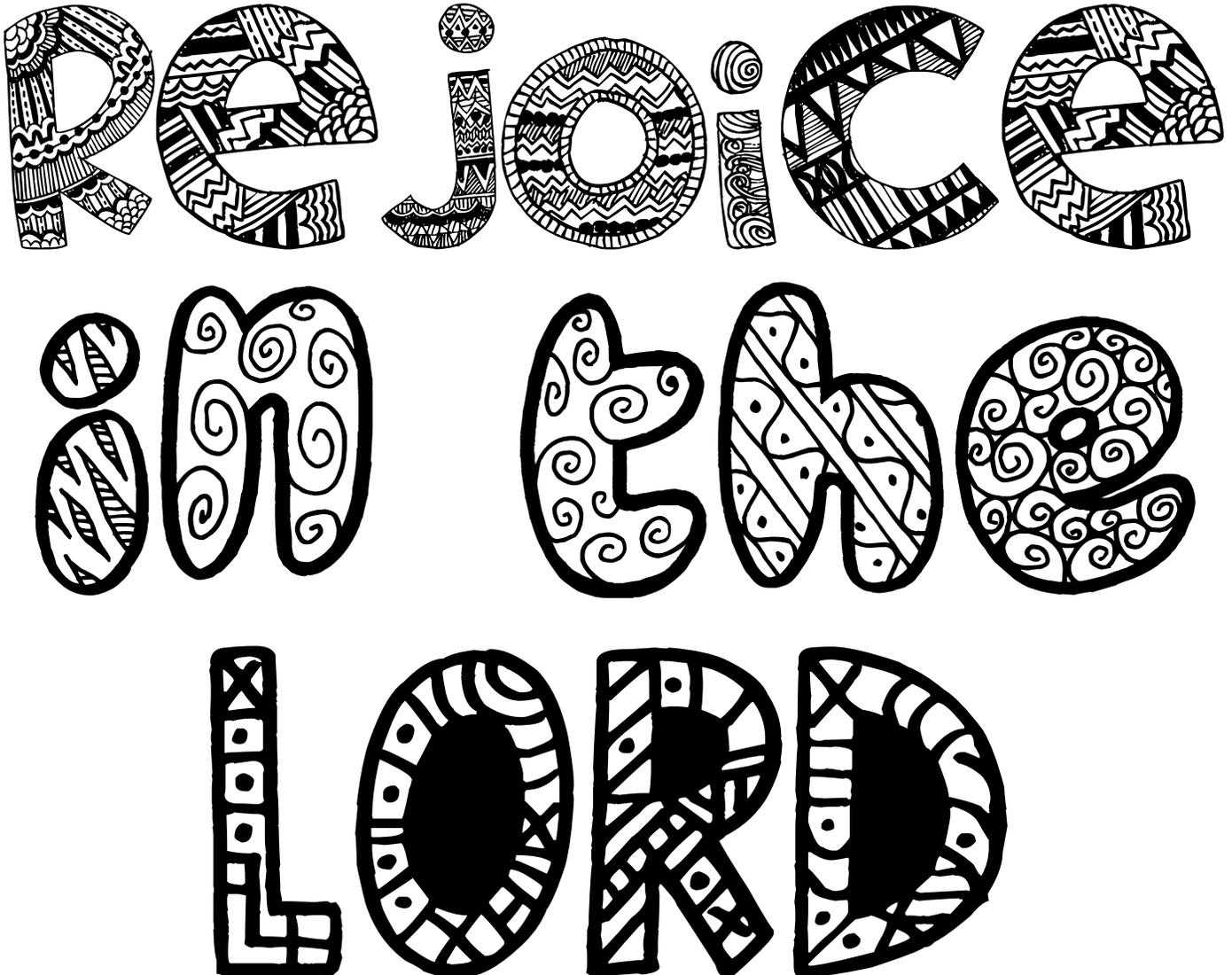
(make a mark for each time you hear the word)

= stand firm

= rejoice

= harmony

= gospel



On the back: List out the ABC's and write down a word you hear that starts with each letter in the alphabet.

A little tool to help us LISTEN and PARTICIPATE as we learn to LOVE and WORSHIP GOD...

Sermon Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Preacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

 **Key Points:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Something I learned about God...**

**Something I learned about Jesus...**

**What is God asking me to DO, THINK or BE?**

**Questions I have**

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Philippians 4:1-9

# Stand Firm!

Living in Harmony With The Gospel

# Background of Philippians

- Written by Paul while in prison in Rome
- Addressed to the church at Philippi – a colony of Rome
- A letter full of Paul's affection and appreciation for the church
- Paul's aim:
  - To thank them for their support
  - To encourage them in the face of suffering
  - To exhort them to continue growing as Christians
  - To exhort them to live in harmony with the gospel

# Background of Philippians

- The metaphor of citizenship
  - They lived in Philippi, **but were citizens of Rome**
    - Lived under Roman rule
    - Lived with Roman rights & privileges
  - They lived on earth, **but were citizens of heaven**
    - Lived under Christ's rule
    - Lived with the present hope of a future glorification

## Main Idea

*Our citizenship in Christ's kingdom compels us to stand firm in the Lord and live in harmony with the gospel.*

# Stand Firm!

## Living in Harmony With The Gospel

- Through *Unity* (vs 2-3)
- Through *Rejoicing in the Lord* (vs 4)
- Through *Gentleness* (vs 5)
- Through *Prayer, rather than anxiety* (vs 6-7)
- Through *Thinking that leads to Obedience* (vs 8-9)

## Philippians 4:1-9 (NASB)

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*“My dear friends... whom I love”*

<sup>1</sup> ...whom *I long to see,*

*“I miss you guys... it’s hard to be away from  
you”*

*<sup>1</sup>...my joy and crown,*

*“you guys are a source of gladness (joy) and honor (crown) for me...”*

*“you guys give me so much joy... it’s such a blessing to see the Lord at work in you... and I’m so proud of you for your faithfulness and your dedication to the Lord”*

## Philippians 3:20-4:1

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*Living in harmony with the gospel  
means living in harmony with one another...*

*Living as citizens of heaven now, means that  
we are to strive to live out the full and future  
peace that we will experience with one  
another when Christ returns.*

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Philippians 1:27 (NIV)

“Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I know that you

**stand firm in one spirit,**

**contending as one man**

for the faith of the gospel...”

## Philippians 2:1-2 (NIV)

“If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness, if any compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, **being one** in spirit and purpose.”

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*Paul calls on the entire church to come together as one and help their sisters put an end to the division...*

*Responding in such a unified way would represent the reality that they are in fact one.*

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Help (*sullambanó*):

*“Take part in something for a particular purpose”*

- *To arrest (Matt 26:55, Acts 12:3)*
- *To conceive/ become pregnant (Luke 1:24, 36)*

*Paul is calling on the church to come together as one, and to unite themselves to these women for the purpose of seeing them restored to each other...*

*Understanding this strengthens the instruction to stand firm in the Lord through unity.*

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*“In all circumstances, call attention to and magnify Christ...”*

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<sup>5</sup> Let your **gentle spirit** be known to all men.

The Lord is near.

## Gentleness (*epieikés*):

- *Not worked or and unsettled*
- *Reasonable, (Sweet Reasonableness)*
- *Peaceful, Mild, Forbearing*
- *Selfless, not insisting on your own rights*
- *The ability to be just, without being harsh*
- *Gladly yielding for the sake of Christ & others*

*People should recognize in us:*

*A gentle reasonableness*

*A tendency to be peaceful and calm (even when our rights are denied)*

*And a bent toward putting the interests of others first for the sake of Christ...*

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# Worrying

Do not “be ~~anxious~~” (merimnaó):

- *Active worry... something you do*
- *Not a feeling or emotion*
- *Not something that happens to you*
- *To be divided into parts/ torn to pieces*
- *To be troubled with cares*

*“Choosing to worry is the prideful insistence on having some control over what happens...”*

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in everything (all occasions for worry)...

- by prayer (proseuchē):

Describes the way we address/ approach God

- and supplication (deésis):

Requesting an answer to a specific need

- with thanksgiving (eucharistias)

Actively giving thanks

let your requests be made known to  
God

*“Instead of worrying,  
turn to the Lord and ask Him for  
help as you thankfully entrust  
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*“Prayerful dependence upon the Lord produces a peace that protects our hearts in the face of temptations to worry.”*

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## *“Think” or “Dwell” (logizomai):*

- More than just thought or acknowledgment*
- Count on them*
- Chart a course according to them*
- Intended to direct and shape our actions*

*Focused thinking that aligns our actions with the object of our thoughts.*

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*“If you stand firm in the Lord and chart a course for your life according to gospel truth, you are promised that the God of peace will be with you”*

# Reflection Questions

- Are you standing firm in the Lord? If not, what needs to change?
- What would it look like for you to rejoice in the Lord always? Do you believe that's possible?
- When you're tempted with worry, how can you pray, think, and obey in ways that lead to peace instead of anxiety?



Philippians 4:1-9

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