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Philippians So Far



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- I thank my God in all my remembrance of you…
  - …sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion… (1:3-6)

- I want you to know…what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel.
  - For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain. (1:12, 21)



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- Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves
  - Have this mind among yourselves… (2:3-5)

- Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed…
  - Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you (2:12)



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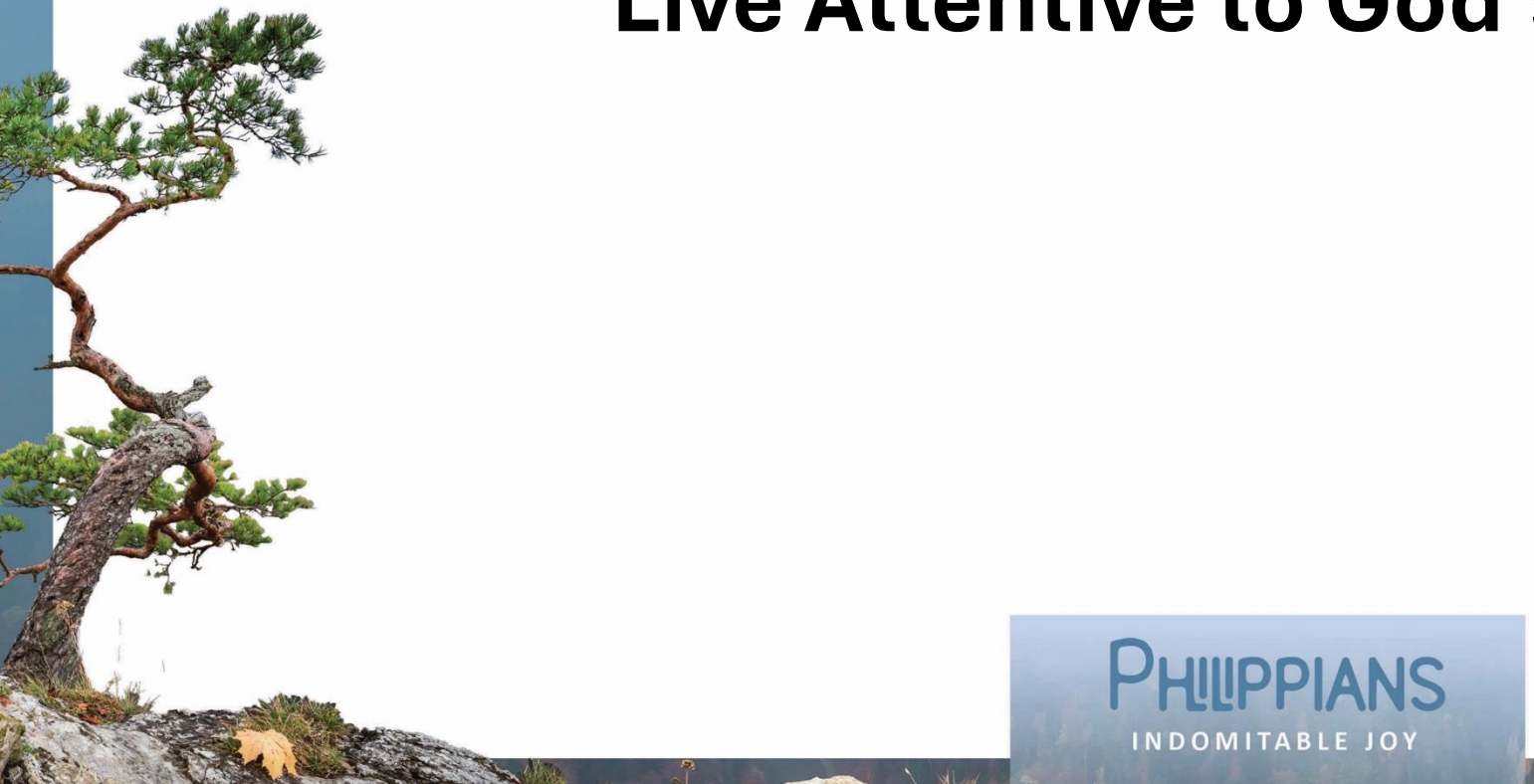
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What is Grumbling and Disputing?

- Grumbling - Complaining, expressing dissatisfaction, more privately than publicly; murmuring

- Disputing – the reasoning of those looking to prove themselves wise



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Exodus 15:22-24

22 Then Moses made Israel set out from the Red
Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur.
They went three days in the wilderness and found
no water. 23 When they came to Marah, they could
not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter;
therefore it was named Marah. 24 And the people
grumbled against Moses, saying, “What shall we
drink?”



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Exodus 16:1-3

…on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. 2 And the whole congregation of the people of Israel **grumbled** against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, 3 and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”



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Exodus 17:3,7

3 But the people thirsted there for water, and the people **grumbled** against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?”

…7 And he called the name of the place Massah (testing) and Meribah (quarreling), because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “**Is the LORD among us or not?**”

(cf. Psalm 95:8-11 and Hebrews 3:7-19)





Numbers 14:2-4

2 And all the people of Israel **grumbled** against
Moses and Aaron. The whole congregation said to
them, “Would that we had died in the land of Egypt!
Or would that we had died in this wilderness! 3 Why
is the LORD bringing us into this land, to fall by the
sword? Our wives and our little ones will become a
prey. Would it not be better for us to go back to
Egypt?” 4 And they said to one another, “Let us
choose a leader and go back to Egypt.”



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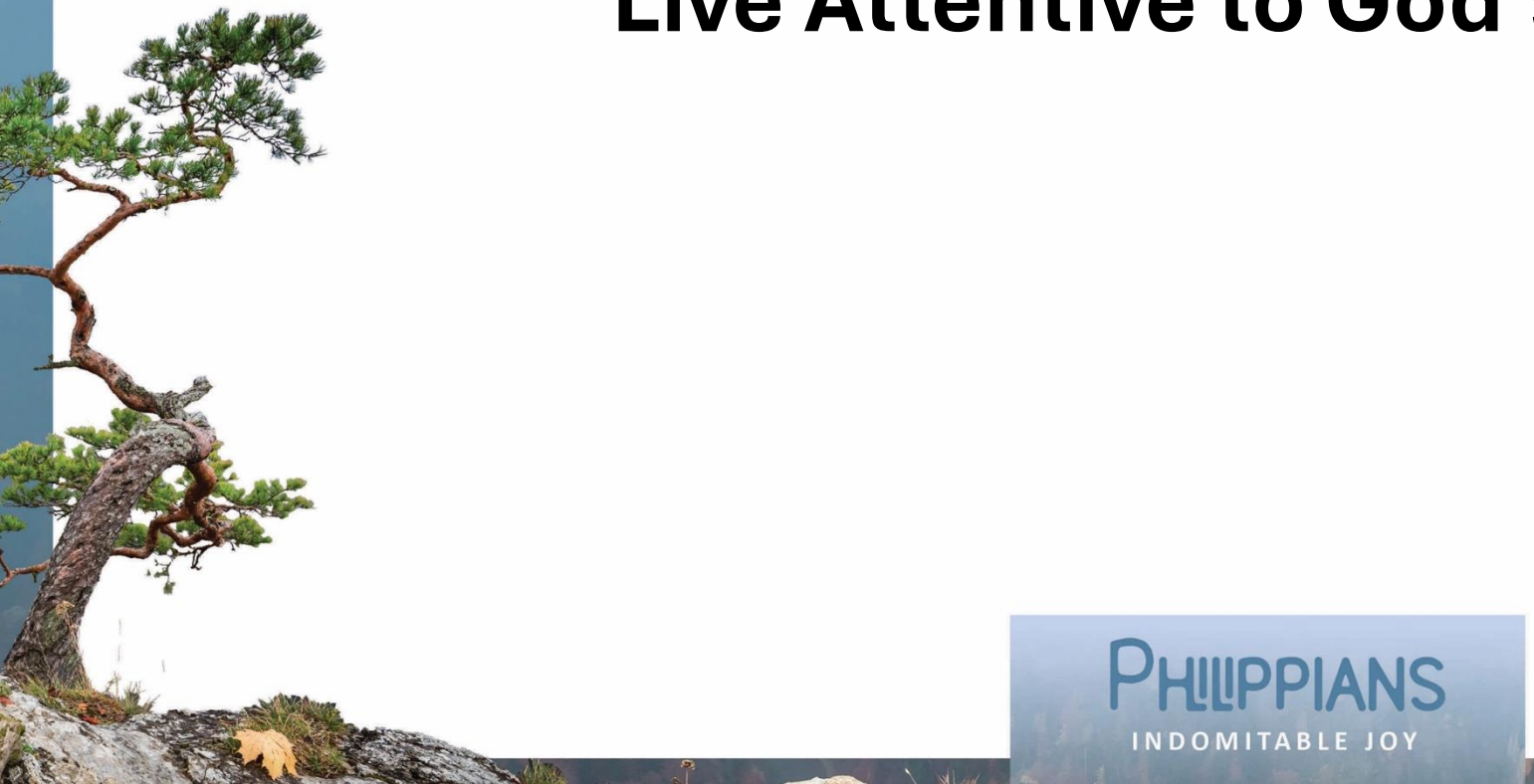
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- Clinging to
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ALSO

- Holding Forth
- Presenting
- Offering



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1 Timothy 4:16

16 **Keep a close watch on** yourself and on the
teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will
save both yourself and your hearers.



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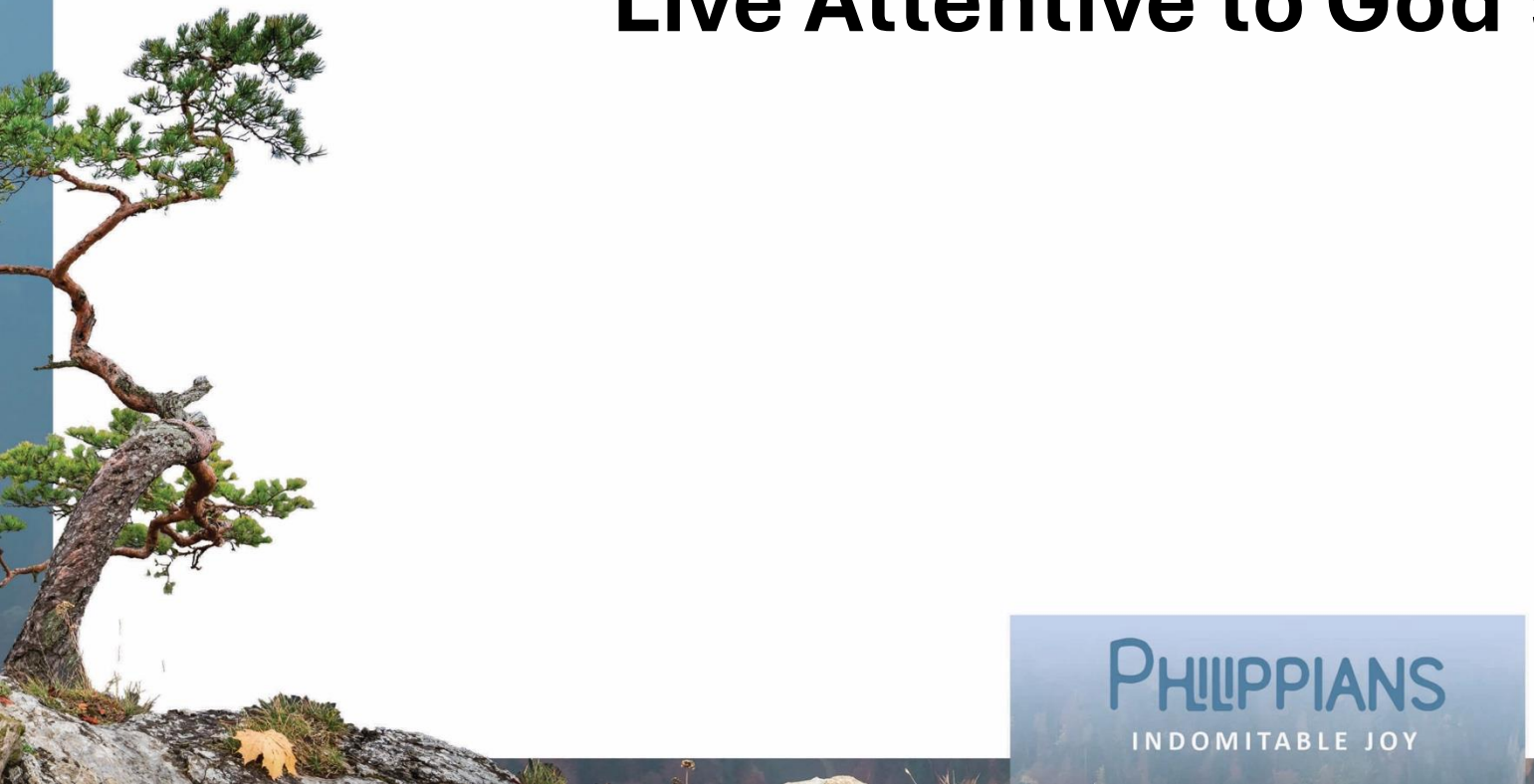
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Face Challenges with Faith and Joy!



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- Growing in our confidence that God is good and He is always working for our good
- Growing in our confidence that God wants to use our response to this circumstance as an offering (to shine)



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We do not always have the power to change our circumstances, but we always have the power to glorify God in them.



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What Is The Result?



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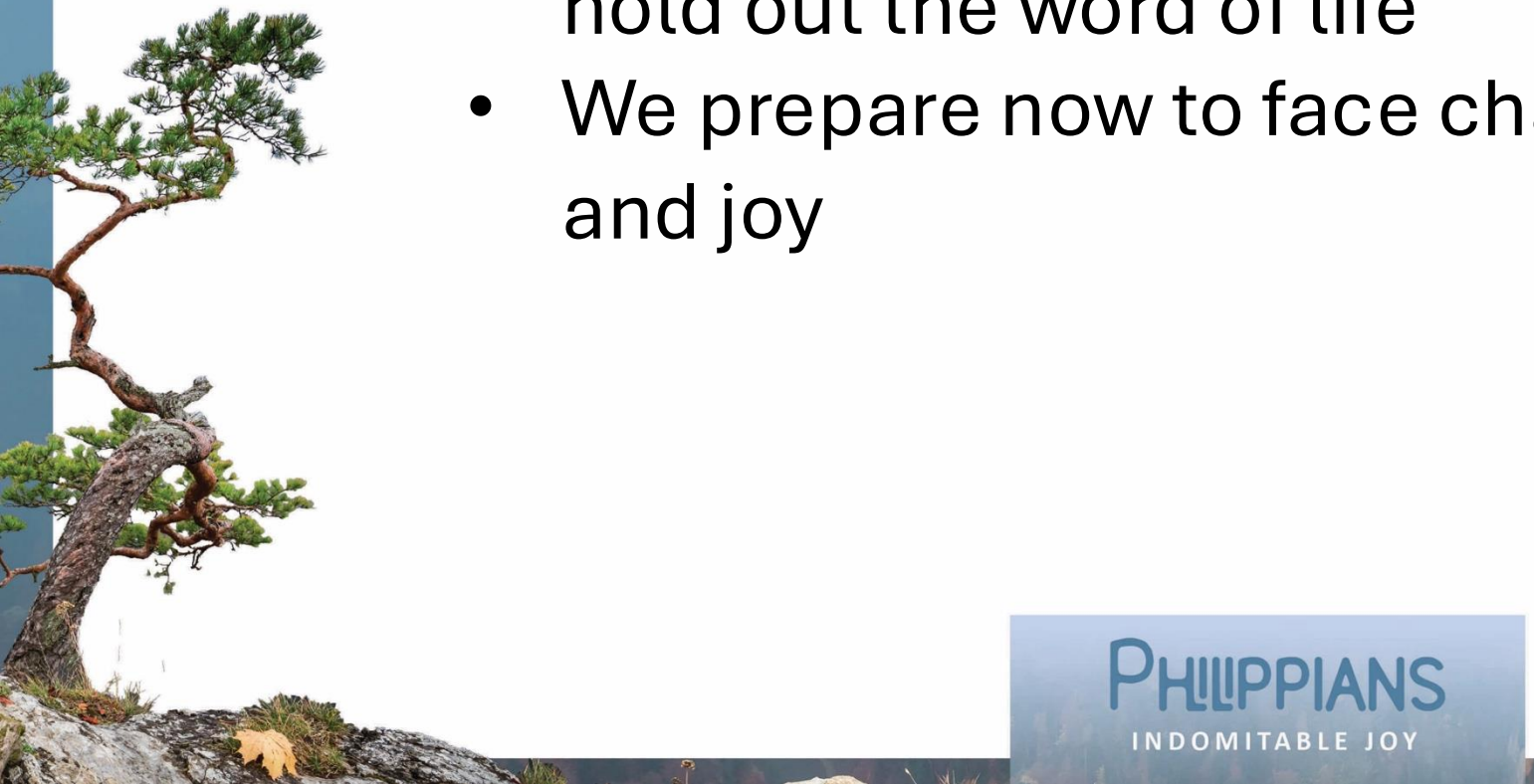
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- We embrace our role in God's Eclectic Promotion Company



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The Incendiary Fellowship

Elton Trueblood



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“There are meant to be exactly as many missionaries and evangelists as there are members. To be a missionary does not mean necessarily to go away from home, and to be an evangelist need not mean necessarily the development of persuasive public speech. Instead, each means engagement in Operation Ignition. The only way to be loyal to the fire of Christ is to spread it.”



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