

**STRIVING TOGETHER FOR THE GREATER GOOD**  
(Philippians 4:1-3)

**I. There Was the Issue of Disharmony & Potential Division (Phil 4:1-3)**

**A. What Are Some Causes of Disharmony & Potential Division In Any Local Church?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ the enemy of God (1 Peter 5:8)
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ which still resides in every believer (James 4:1-3)
3. There is \_\_\_\_\_ that seeks to make us spiritual adulterers (James 4:4)

**B. What Was The Divisive Problem At Philippi? (Phil 4:1-2)**

1. The word “therefore” indicates Paul is about to give a practical \_\_\_\_\_ that is based on all that Paul has previously said.
2. This admonition is addressed to “my \_\_\_\_\_”, referring to the \_\_\_\_\_ at Philippi
  - How else does he refer to them?
  - What is the biblical *principle* he wants them to adhere to? .... \_\_\_\_\_ *in the Lord, my beloved!*
  - Where are they to stand fast?
  - What does this phrase refer to?
  - Is this the first time he has asked this of them?
  - Has Paul given similar admonitions to other churches about this?

3. He \_\_\_\_\_ Euodia & Syntyche to be of the same \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord (4:2)

- What do we know about these two?

4. This was a call to lay \_\_\_\_\_ self motivated differences that were potential church \_\_\_\_\_ for the greater good—the cause of \_\_\_\_\_.

5. This *gracious appeal* allowed them the \_\_\_\_\_ of working out their \_\_\_\_\_ without putting one down at the expense of the other.

- Who was the “true companion” & what was he to do? (vs 3)

- Why did Paul want them helped?

- What does all this mean to you?