

BELIEVER'S BAPTISM



First Baptist Church

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**FINDING JOY WHEN...
YOU'RE AT ODDS**

Philippians 4:1-3

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Philippians 4:2

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Syntyche to be of the same mind
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2 Thessalonians 2:2

But even after we had suffered before and were spitefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we were bold in our God to speak to you the gospel of God in much conflict.

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Philippians 2:2-5

2 Fulfill my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. ³ Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.

Philippians 2:2-5

⁴ Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. ⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:15-16

¹⁵ Let us, as many as are mature, have the same mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you.

¹⁶ Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind.

Romans 12:16

Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

2 Corinthians 13:11

Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Focus on God's priorities for His people and don't let yourselves be at odds over lesser things.

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- Are we just different – and I don't care for their personality?

Philippians 1:9-11

**⁹ And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment,
¹⁰ that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ,**

Philippians 1:9-11

¹¹ being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

**So that we might value and
give priority to what really
matters in life and for eternity.**

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Philippians 4:1

Therefore, my beloved and longed-
for brethren, my joy and crown, so
stand fast in the Lord, beloved.

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John 17:20-21

20 I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.