



“LIFE IS GOD!”

PHILIPPIANS 1:18B-21 BIBLE STUDY SLIDES

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CONTEXT
PROGRESS THROUGH PAIN



Now, I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that my circumstances have brought about more advancement of the gospel. (Php 1:12, AT)





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30 The **whole city was aroused**, and the people came running from all directions. **Seizing Paul, they dragged him from the temple**, and immediately the gates were shut. 31 While they were **trying to kill him**, news reached the commander of the Roman troops that the **whole city of Jerusalem was in an uproar**. 32 He at once took some officers and soldiers and ran down to the crowd. When the rioters saw the commander and his soldiers, **they stopped beating Paul**. (Ac 2:30-32, NIV)

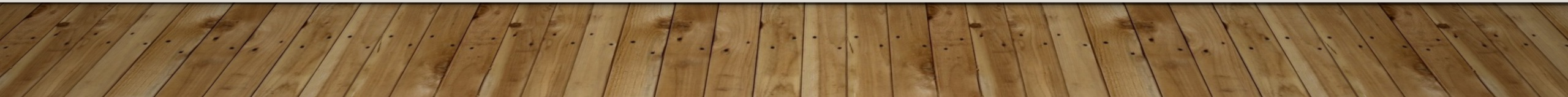




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33 The commander came up and **arrested him** and ordered him to be **bound with two chains**. Then he asked who he was and what he had done. 34 Some in the crowd shouted one thing and some another, and since the commander could not get at the truth because of the **uproar**, he ordered that Paul be taken into the barracks. 35 When Paul reached the steps, the **violence of the mob** was so great he had to be carried by the soldiers. 36 **The crowd** that followed **kept shouting, “Get rid of him!”** (Ac 21:33-36, NIV)





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21 “Then the Lord said to me, ‘Go; I will send you far away **to the Gentiles.**’ 22 The crowd listened to Paul **until** he said this. Then they raised their voices and shouted, “Rid the earth of him! **He’s not fit to live!** (Ac 22:21-22, NIV)

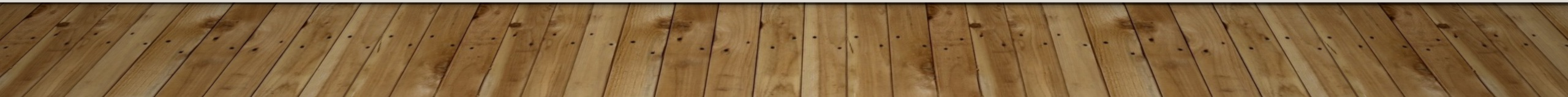




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11 The following night the Lord stood near Paul and said, “Take courage! As you have **testified** about me in **Jerusalem**, so you must also **testify in Rome**. 12 The next morning some Jews formed a conspiracy and bound themselves with an oath not to eat or drink **until they had killed Paul**. 13 More than **forty men** were **involved** in this plot (Ac 23:11-13, NIV)





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25 As Paul talked about **righteousness, self-control** and the **judgment to come**, Felix was afraid and said, “That’s enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you.” 26 At the same time he was hoping that Paul would offer him a bribe, so he sent for him frequently and talked with him. 27 When **two years had passed**, Felix was succeeded by Porcius Festus, but because Felix wanted to grant a favor to the Jews, **he left Paul in prison.** (Ac 24:25-27, NIV)





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1 Three days after arriving in the province, Festus went up from Caesarea to Jerusalem, 2 where the chief priests and the Jewish leaders appeared before him and presented the charges against Paul. 3 They requested Festus, as a favor to them, to have Paul transferred to Jerusalem, for they were **preparing an ambush to kill him along the way** (Ac 25:1-3, NIV)

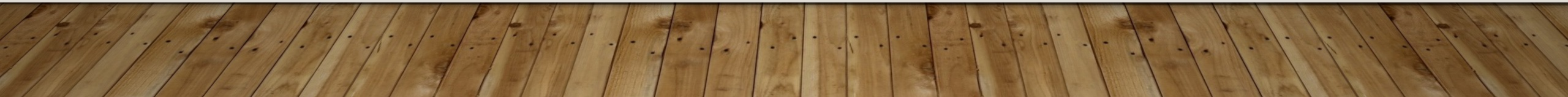




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10 Paul answered: “I am now standing before Caesar’s court, where I ought to be tried. I have not done any wrong to the Jews, as you yourself know very well. 11 **If**, however, I am guilty of doing anything deserving death, **I do not refuse to die**. But if the charges brought against me by these Jews are not true, no one has the right to hand me over to them. I appeal to Caesar!” 12 After Festus had conferred with his council, he declared: “**You have appealed to Caesar. To Caesar you will go!**” (Ac 25:10-12, NIV)





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Then Agrippa said to Festus, “I would like to hear this man myself.” He replied, “Tomorrow you will hear him.” (Ac 25:22, NIV)

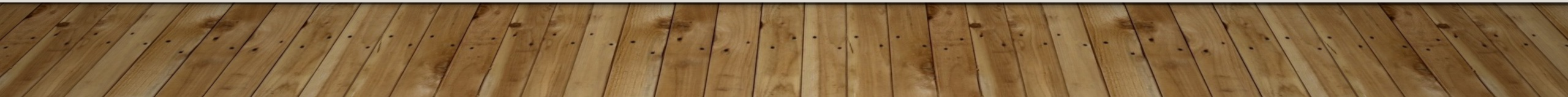




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20 First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should **repent** and **turn to God** and **demonstrate their repentance by their deeds**. 21 That is why some Jews seized me in the temple courts and tried to kill me. 22 But **God has helped me to this very day**; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen—23 that **the Messiah would suffer** and, as the **first to rise from the dead**, would bring the message of light to his own people **and** to the Gentiles (Ac 26:20-23, NIV)

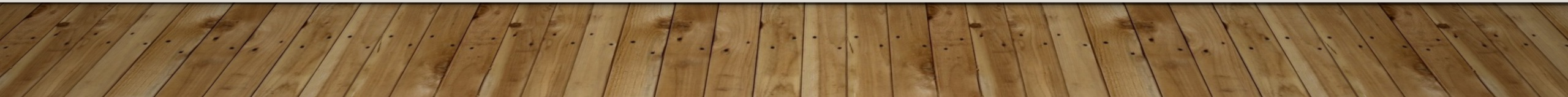




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28 Then Agrippa said to Paul, **“Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?”** 29 Paul replied, **“Short time or long—I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains.”** 30 The king rose, and with him the governor and Bernice and those sitting with them. 31 After they left the room, they began saying to one another, **“This man is not doing anything that deserves death or imprisonment.”** (Ac 26:28-32, NIV)





CONTEXT PROGRESS THROUGH PAIN



23 They arranged to meet Paul on a certain day, and came in even larger numbers to the place where he was staying. **He witnessed to them** from morning till evening, explaining about the kingdom of God, and from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets he tried to persuade them about Jesus. 24 Some were convinced by what he said, but others would not believe (Ac 28:23-24, NIV)



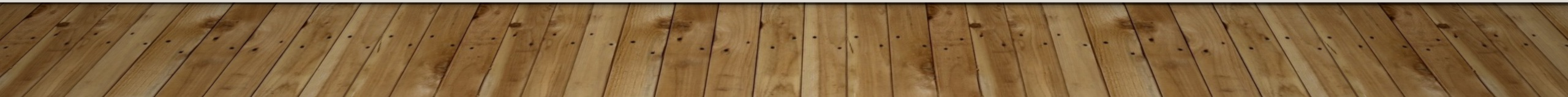


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30 For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him.

31 He **proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!** (Ac 28:30-31, NIV)





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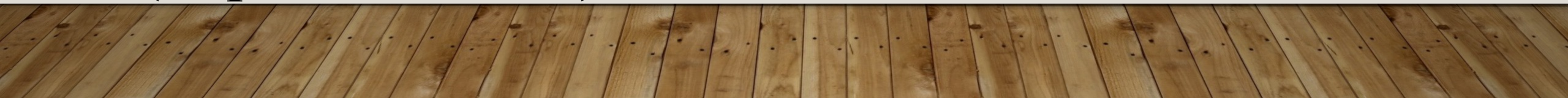




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13 For this reason, it has become clear, throughout the whole Praetorium [(palace guard)] and to all others, that my chains are for Christ's sake. 14 And most of the brothers and sisters, having become confident in the Lord because of my chains, have even more courage to speak the word without fear. (Php 1:13-14, AT)

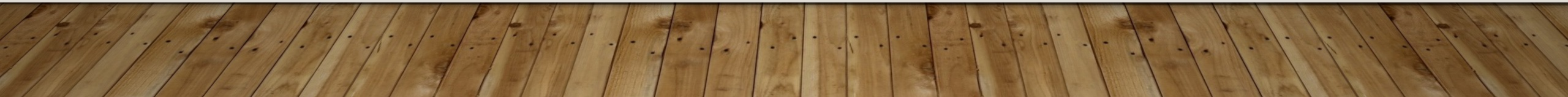




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15 On the one hand, some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry while, on the other hand, some do so out of goodwill. 16 The latter do so out of love, knowing that I have been appointed for the defense of the Gospel. 17 The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition – not sincerely – intending to raise up hardship [for me] in my chains. So what? Nevertheless, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed. And, for this, I rejoice. (Php 1:15-18a, AT)






PHILIPPIANS 1:18B-19
ALL WILL WORK OUT
FOR THE GOOD



Indeed, I will continue to rejoice. 19 For I know that [what has happened to me] will turn out for my salvation, through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,
(Php 1:18b-19, AT)






PHILIPPIANS 1:18B-19
ALL WILL WORK OUT
FOR THE GOOD



15 Though he slay me, I will hope in him;
yet I will argue my ways to his face.

16 This will be my **salvation**,
that the godless shall not come before him.

(Job 13:15-16, ESV)



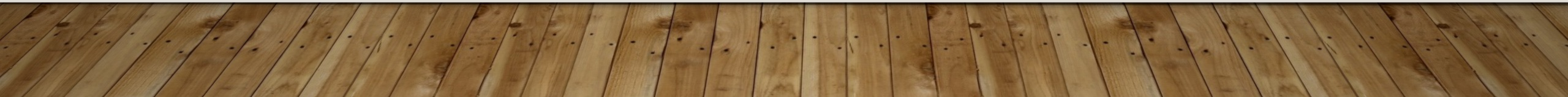


PHILIPPIANS 1:18B-19
I PRAY FOR YOU,
YOU PRAY FOR ME



9 And this is my prayer: that your **love may abound** more and more in **knowledge and depth of insight**, 10 so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

(Php 1:9-11, NIV)

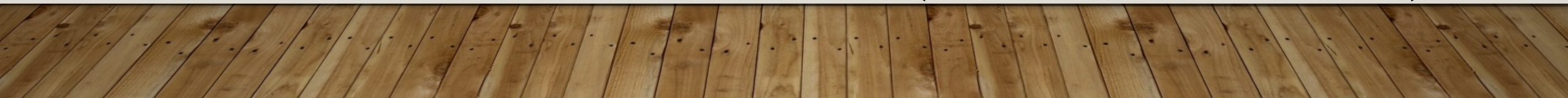





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26 In the same way, **the Spirit helps us** in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but **the Spirit himself intercedes for us** through wordless groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because **the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.** (Rom 8:26-27, NIV)






PHILIPPIANS 1:18B-19
THE HOLY SPIRIT:
THE GIFT AND THE GIVER




You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone **does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.**

(Rom 8:9, NIV)



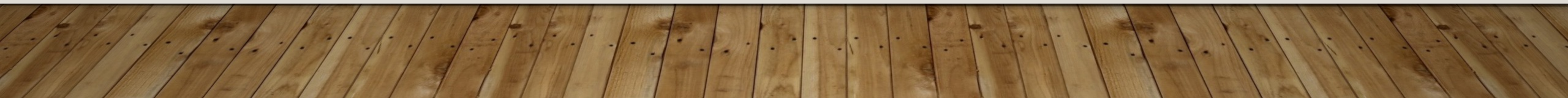


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26 “When the **Advocate** comes, whom **I will send to you** from the Father—the **Spirit of truth** who goes out from the Father—he will **testify** about me.

27 And you also must **testify**, for you have been with me from the beginning. (Jn 15:26-27, NIV)

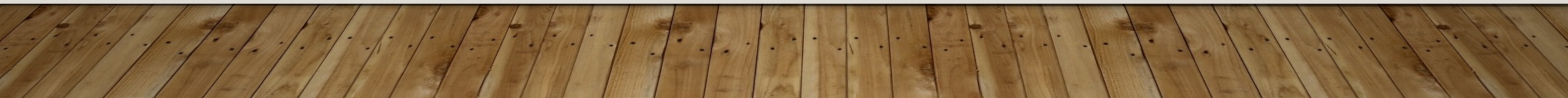





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But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the **Advocate** will not come to you; but if I go, **I will send him to you.**(Jn 16:7, NIV)



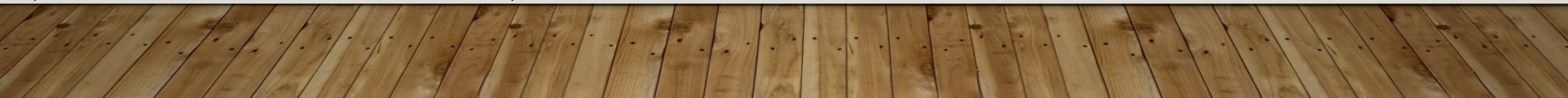


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THE HOLY SPIRIT:
THE GIFT AND THE GIVER



Whenever you are **arrested** and **brought to trial**, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for **it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.**

(Mk 13:11, NIV)

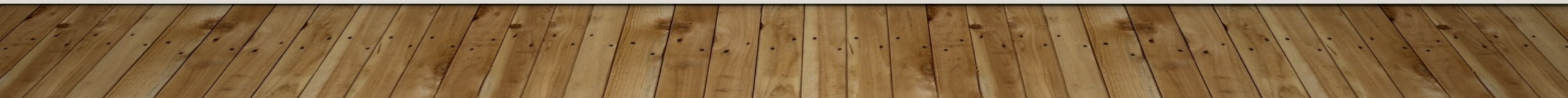




PHILIPPIANS 1:20
EXPECTANT
HOPE



according to my eager expectation and hope that I will not be put to shame in anything, but in all boldness [παρρησία | *parrēsia*], as always and [especially] now, Christ will be exalted [μεγαλύνω | *megalynō*] in my body – whether through life or through death. (Php 1:20, AT)





PHILIPPIANS 1:20
NO SHAME
IN HIS GAME



For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. (Rom 1:16, NIV)





PHILIPPIANS 1:20
NO SHAME
IN HIS GAME



“See, I lay in Zion a **stone** that causes people to stumble
and a **rock** that makes them fall,
and the one who believes in him will **never be put to shame.**”

(Rom 9:33, NIV)



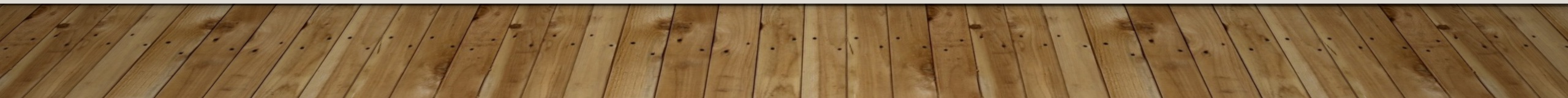


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9 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

11 As Scripture says, “**Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.**” (Rom 10:9-11, NIV)





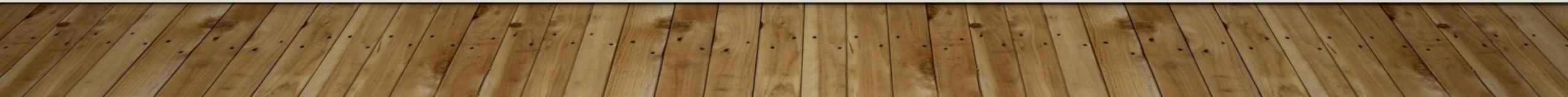
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26 May all who gloat over my distress
be **put to shame** and confusion;
may all who **exalt** themselves over me
be clothed with **shame** and **disgrace**.

27 May those who delight in my **vindication**
shout for joy and gladness;
may they always say, “The LORD [YHWH] be **exalted**,
who delights in the well-being of his servant.”

(Ps 35:26-27, NIV)

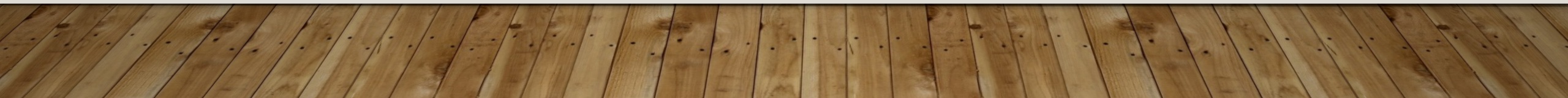




PHILIPPIANS 1:20
BIBLICAL
BOLDNESS



19 Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will **fearlessly** [παρρησία | *parrēsia*] make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it **fearlessly**, as I should. (Eph 6:19-20, NIV)





PHILIPPIANS 1:20
HE EXALTS
THEE



3 Glorify the LORD [YHWH] with me;

let us **exalt** [μεγαλύνω | *megalynō*, LXX] his name together.

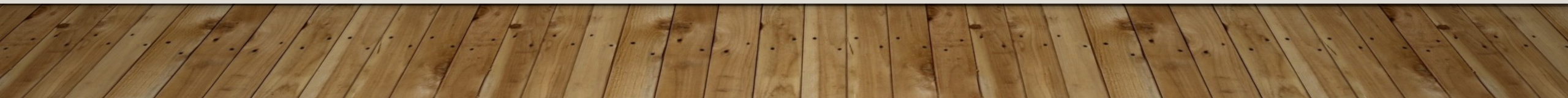
4 I sought the LORD [YHWH], and he answered me;

he **delivered** me from all my fears.

5 Those who look to him are radiant;

their faces are **never covered with shame**.

(Ps 34:3-5, NIV)



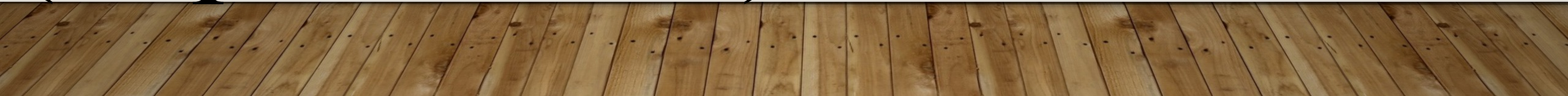


PHILIPPIANS 1:21
TO LIVE IS CHRIST;
TO DIE IS GAIN



For, to me, to continue living
is Christ, and to die is gain.

(Php 1:21, AT)





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I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. **The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God,** who loved me and gave himself for me.

(Gal 2:20, NIV)





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And he died for all, that **those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him** who died for them and was raised again (2 Cor 5:15, NIV)





PHILIPPIANS 1:21
TO LIVE IS CHRIST;
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The last **enemy** to be destroyed
is death. (1 Cor 15:26, NIV)

