

Bible Study Questions

Philippians 4:13- 23

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

19. What was the source of the strength Paul had – 4:13? What could he do as a result?

20. Application: What things can we do through the strength Christ provides? Can Satan or people around us ever place temptations before us that are impossible to overcome? Explain

21. How had the Philippians shared with Paul according to 4:14-16? When and where had they shared with Paul?

22. According to other passages, how had the Philippians' gift been conveyed to Paul? Did churches send funds to a central board of directors or the elders of another church who in turn oversaw the use and distribution of the funds?

23. According to 1 Peter 5:1-3; Acts 20:28; 14:23, what church should any specific eldership oversee? Does any New Testament passage authorize the elders of one church to oversee the work and funds of another church in evangelism?

24. Under what circumstances did churches send funds to another church? See Acts 11:27-30; Romans 15:25-27; 1 Corinthians 16:1-4; 2 Corinthians 8 and 9.

25. Case Study: In the sponsoring church arrangement, churches donate funds to be supervised by the elders of the sponsoring church, which is as financially capable of doing its own work as are the sending churches; but the sponsoring church has assumed ongoing oversight of a work that was as much the responsibility of the sending churches as it was of the sponsoring church. How would the passages we have studied apply to such a case?

26. What was especially important to Paul about the Philippians' gift – 4:17? In what way would this abound to the Philippians' account?

27. How had the Philippians' gift been sent to Paul – 4:18? Explain the expressions that he used to describe the gift.

28. What blessings did Paul believe God would give to the Philippians – 4:19? Compare 2 Corinthians 9:8-10.

29. Who receives the ultimate glory when God's people serve Him – 4:20? Explain.

30. What greetings does Paul send in 4:21-23? What is the significance of the reference to Caesar's household?