



PHILIPPIANS



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Colossians 1:13–14

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Ephesians 4:1

**walk in a manner worthy of the calling
to which you have been called...**

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Colossians 1:10

walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him...

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1 Thessalonians 2:12

walk in a manner worthy of God,
who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

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Philippians 2:12

...not only as in my presence but much more in my absence,
work out your own salvation with fear and trembling...

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Proverbs 6:6–8

⁶ Go to the ant, O sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise.

⁷ **Without having any chief, officer, or ruler,**

⁸ she prepares her bread in summer and gathers her food in harvest.

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Colossians 2:1

For I want you to know how great a **struggle** I have for you...

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Hebrews 12:1

let us run with endurance the **race** that is set before us...



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1 Thessalonians 2:2

But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much **conflict**.

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1 Timothy 6:12

Fight the good **fight** of faith.

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2 Timothy 4:7

I have fought the good **fight**,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

The Man in the Arena

Theodore Roosevelt, 1910

It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.





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