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Philippians 4:20–23
Glory, Greeting And Grace

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Review

1. Being full from the gift given
2. Seeing our giving as a sweet smelling, acceptable and well-pleasing sacrifice to the Lord.
3. God will supply all our needs

Giving glory to God

“Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.” (Phil 4:20)

1. τῷ θεῷ...ho theos...the God
 - a. Use of the dative
 - b. To the God
2. πατρὶ...pater...father
 - a. God is seen as Father
 - b. Divine Father
3. A sense of closeness with God
 - a. Our God and Father
 - b. A sense of closeness that all should have
4. δόξα...doxa...glory...nominative singular feminine
 - a. Glory given to our God and Father
 - b. Glory to be given forever and ever

Greetings

1. Paul began his letter with greetings
2. He ended his letter with greetings
3. Theological significance
“Greet every saint in Christ Jesus.” (Phil 4:21)
 - a. ἁγίων...hagios...the holy ones

b. In Christ Jesus

i. The saints were in Christ Jesus

ii. Being in the sphere of Christ

c. Those who were greeting

i. Brethren

“The brethren who are with me greet you.” (Phil 4:21)

ii. Saints

“All the saints greet you, but especially those who are of Caesar’s household.” (Phil 4:22)

4. The social significance

a. Social aspect is also important

b. He took the trouble to greet and to acknowledge people

5. The personal significance

a. There was those who identified with Paul

b. Paul had a team of people who served alongside

6. The ecclesiastical significance

a. The greetings was meant for the church as a whole

b. It would have been uplifting to the church to be given such a greeting

A last word...the grace of our Lord Jesus

“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.” (Phil 4:23)

1. For his last word, Paul focused on the grace of the Lord Jesus

2. The grace of Christ was of great significance to Paul

3. The brethren had also become partakers of the grace of God (Phil 1:7)

4. Paul wished for them that the grace of God would continue to sustain them

a. In life

b. In ministry