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A topographic map of the Mediterranean region, showing the Italian Peninsula, the Balkans, and the Aegean Sea. The map uses a color gradient from green to brown to represent elevation. Two locations are marked with white dots and labeled in white text: Rome on the Italian Peninsula and Philippi in the Balkans. The sea is depicted in a dark blue color.

• Rome

Philippi •

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Philippians 4:10-12 (NIV)

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¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need.

Philippians 4:13-16 (NIV)

¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Philippians 4:17-20 (NIV)

²¹ Greet all God's people in Christ Jesus. The brothers and sisters who are with me send greetings. ²² All God's people here send you greetings, especially those who belong to Caesar's household. ²³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Philippians 4:21-23 (NIV)

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¹⁰ I want to know Christ — yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

Philippians 3:10-12 (NIV)





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Philippians 4:14-16 (NIV)

Thessalonica

Philippi



³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your **partnership** in the gospel from the first day until now

Philippians 1:3-5 (NIV)

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Philippians 4:17 (NIV)

Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit καρπός that abounds to your account. (NKJV)

Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit καρπός which increases to your account. (NASB95)

It is not that I just want to receive gifts; rather, I want to see profit καρπός added to your account. (GNB)

Philippians 4:17

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Philippians 4:18-20 (NIV)



35 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "

Acts 20:35 (NIV)





