

52 Prayers from the Bible

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A Prayer of Thanks for Faithfulness

⁴ I always thank my God when I mention you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear of your love and faith toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints. ⁶ [I pray] that your participation in the faith may become effective through knowing every good thing that is in us for [the glory of] Christ. ⁷ For I have great joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, brother. (Philemon 4-7)

1. Who are the characters in Philemon?
2. Who is Paul writing to?
3. What is he thankful for?
4. How does participation in the faith become "effective?"
5. What does that mean?
6. What is Paul ultimately asking for in the letter?
7. Why does he appeal to his faith?
8. How can this story inform our prayers today?