

Simply Study: Philippians 4

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One book at a time.

One day at a time.



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PRAYER

Welcome to Week 4 of Simply Study: Philippians! We pray you will be blessed by the time you have simply study God's Word! In Philippians, Paul encourages to pray about everything! What are you praying for today?

Continue reading for more information about Simply Study Bible studies!

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truths of God's word.

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- **Simply reflect** Consider what God is speaking to your heart and record your thoughts.
- **Simply act** Become a doer of the word as you decide how to apply what you have learned.
- **Simply pray** Reflect on your learning and pray how God leads you.

Please scroll down to access each week's Bible study. Better yet, invite a few friends to join you! Start your own Simply Study Bible study in your own home or favorite coffee shop!

Focus deeply.

One book at a time.

One day at a time.

Simply Study.

Leave me a comments below! I'd love to hear about what you have learned while you simply study!

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The Fatherland

“The next morning we were woken by the signal of a trumpet. The crew weighed anchor, and the boat left harbour at 8:00 am. Shirt-sleeved, I rushed to the forecastle to say my last Good Bye to my dear German fatherland and to the people standing at the pier. After a couple of hours we were ...”



The Fatherland.

To my grandfather, Viktor Herrmann (he's in the life preserver), the Fatherland refers to his place of birth. He left his Fatherland in hopes of finding a new life in America. This new land promised freedom, hope, and happiness. After my grandfather settled in America, he sent back to the Fatherland for my grandmother, Hilda Knoll. She too left Germany and made the trip across the ocean to start a new life.

I often heard my grandparents use the term *Fatherland* to describe their homeland. From time to time my grandfather would start a sentence with the phrase *back in the Fatherland*. My grandmother told me about how her brother Otto walked home from the Great War back in the *Fatherland*. In the *Fatherland*, girls went to knitting school on Saturdays and learned to bake bread from scratch.

The book of Hebrews also speaks of a *Fatherland*.

A land of freedom. A land of hope. The Father's Land. The journey to the Father's Land is a walk of faith that requires courage and strength. As wanderers as pilgrims, we count the cost of leaving the familiar and friendly to go where our Father leads. In our Father's Land we find challenge, joy, enemies, purpose, pain, love, loss, and blessing. But the best thing about the Father's Land is the presence of our Father.

13 ... they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. 14 For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. 15 And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. 16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them. Hebrews 11:13-16

And one day, like my grandfather, we will be woken by the signal of a trumpet, and we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 1 Thessalonians 4:17

Forever with Him, in the Father's Land.

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Simply Study: Luke the Christmas Story, Chapter 2

Simply Study:
The Christmas Story, Luke 2
One book at a time.
One day at a time.



Are you ready to
simply study God's
Word?

Happy New Year and welcome to Luke 2, Sessions 1-6 of Simply Study! We pray you will be blessed by the time you simply study God's Word. During this busy last week of Christmas Break take a little time to finish your study of the Christmas story. In Chapter 2 of Luke, we meet two often forgotten members of the Christmas story, Anna and Simeon. Like Anna and Simeon, I want to leave a legacy of a life well lived, looking for Jesus!

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Note: This Simply Study Bible study will only cover the Christmas chapters of the book of Luke, not the whole book.

[Simply Study, Luke Chapter 2, Sessions 1-6](#)

[Simply Study Luke Chapter 1, Sessions 1-5](#)

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Merry Christmas!

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Simply Study: The Christmas Story, Week 1, Sessions 1-5

Simply Study:
The Christmas Story, Luke 1
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Are you ready to
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Merry Christmas and welcome to Luke 1, Sessions 1-5 of Simply Study! We pray you will be blessed by the time you simply study God's Word. During this busy last week before Christmas God asks us magnify and rejoice in Him as we wait for His deliverance. This updated link contains the rest of the Bible study sessions for week 1, plus sessions one and two.

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Merry Christmas and welcome to Luke, Session 1 of Simply Study! We pray you will be blessed by the time you simply

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Please click on the following link to start your first day of the Christmas study of the book of Luke.

Check back tomorrow morning for the next session!

[Simply Study, Luke Session 1](#)

Merry Christmas!

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