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**Philippians 4:13**



# A STATEMENT OF FAITH IN CHRIST

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- **Philippians 4:13** is not a philosophical statement.
- **1 Corinthians 1:17, 20; 2:1-5** – preached, not man's wisdom, but Christ.
- **Colossians 2:4-5, 8-10** – philosophical living discouraged, faith demanded.



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### Spiritual Success Requires Faith

- A faith failure – **Matthew 17:14-21**
- A request of an increase of faith – **Luke 17:5-6**
- **Romans 10:17** – faith comes from God's word.
- **2 Timothy 3:16-17** – God's word equips us to do His will.
- **Ephesians 2:10; Romans 6:13** – We are God's instruments.



# A STATEMENT OF UNITY WITH CHRIST

## Knowing, but Not Knowing

- Such strength received “*through Christ*” involves more than mere knowledge of His will. It requires being united with Him in all things. It is allowing Christ to take over.
- EX: **1 Corinthians 8:1-3** – knows nothing.
- The strength needed to “*do all things*” is found when we let Christ take over our lives – **Matthew 11:29; Galatians 2:20**



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### Unity with Christ is Essential (Philippians 4)

- Heavenly Citizenship – 3:20-4:1
- Joy in Matters Pertaining to the Lord – (v. 4)
- Forbearance with Others in Anticipation of His Coming – (v. 5)
- Prayerful Living – (vv. 6-7)
- Meditation On and Doing the Things of the Lord – (vv. 8-9)
- Joy in Spiritual Matters of the Lord – (vv. 10, 14-20)



# A STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHRIST

## True Commitment is the Key

- **Mark 8:34-37** – We must value the things of Christ above all else, even our own lives.
- Jesus is essentially telling us to “put all our eggs in one basket.”



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### Paul Could Do because He Was Committed

- He was not a casual Christian.
- He counted all things loss to gain Christ – **Philippians 3:7-8**





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