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Opening prayer

Blessed Lord, you speak to us through the Holy Scriptures. Grant that we may hear, read, respect, learn, and make them our own in such a way that the enduring benefit and comfort of the Word will help us grasp and hold the blessed hope of everlasting life, given us through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Philippi Thessalonica Ephesus Corinthe Malta

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Philippians 2' from the youtube channel:

Read Philippians 2:1-4

1 So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Review and Discussion Questions

- 1. What does Paul remind us as he lists the conditions in the first verse?
- 2. How are Christians to be "of the same mind"?
- 3. List some of the things that fill Paul with joy.
- 4. What does Paul's exhortation to "be of one accord" mean for Lutheran's interaction with Christians of other denominations?
- 5. What is the difference between discussing "our" teaching versus the Lord's teaching?
- 6. Paul reminds us that we should look to other's interests and not our own. Which of the ten Commandments does this involve?
- 7. Do these verses contain law, gospel, or both?