**1 3**I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,   
 **4**always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,   
 **5**because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.   
 **6**And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work   
 in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

**7**It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because   
 I hold you in my heart, for   
 you are all partakers with me of grace,   
 both in my imprisonment and in the defense and   
 confirmation of the gospel.

**8**For God is my witness,   
 how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

**9**And it is my prayer   
 that your love may abound more and more,   
 with knowledge and   
 all discernment, **10**so that you may   
 approve what is excellent, and   
 so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,   
 **11**filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through   
 Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.