# Finding Biblical Biblical Focus for Your Future

From Philippians

# **COTR North Verse of the Year** "For You will arise and have mercy on Zion; for the time to favor her, yes, the set time, has come." Psalm 102:13



#### Last two weeks...

- Seven BIG Biblical focal points for 2018
- 1. The Focal Point of the FAMILY of God
- PAUL... LOVED, THANKFUL, PRAYED, ENCOURAGED, SERVED, GUARDED, & EXAMPLE
- 2. Focal Point of FINANCES

- The Faithfulness of God
- Phil. 1:6 "Being confident..."
- Faithful = trustworthy
- 2 Timothy 2:13 "If we are faithless, He remains faithful..."

- The Faithfulness of the Family of God to the Gospel of God
- Phil. 1:5 "For you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you heard it until now." NLT

- 1. Partners in the Gospel vs. 5
- vs. 14 "Most of the brethren..."
- vs. 27b "striving together"
- 2:22 "served with me in preaching the Good News."

- 2. Declarers of the Gospel vs. 14
- Confidently vs. 14
- Boldly vs. 14 & 1 Thess. 2:1,2
- Fearlessly vs. 14 & 28
- Sincerely vs. 16
- Lovingly vs. 17

- 3. Defenders of the Gospel vs. 7
- Greek Apologia
- Apologetics "a reasoned argument or writing in justification of something."
- · vs. 17 & 2 Timothy 6:20,21

- 4. Examples of the Gospel vs. 27
- Phil. 2:15,16 "Live clean innocent lives as children of God, shining like bright lights in the world…"
- 1 Thess. 2:4 "…entrusted with the gospel."