

Paul's Letter of Joy

***Motivation For
Christian Unity***

Philippians 2:1



One Unhappy Person Can Cause Much Harm

An aerial photograph of the New York City skyline at dusk. The sky is a deep blue, and the city lights are beginning to glow. The Empire State Building is prominent in the center, with its top illuminated in blue. Other skyscrapers are visible, some with their windows lit up. The text "Some individuals move church to church causing trouble" is overlaid in white, italicized font at the bottom of the image.

“Some individuals move church to church causing trouble”



ITALY

ADRIATIC
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M A C E D O N I A

Philippi

Thessalonica

Berea

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A C H A I A

Ephes

Corinth

Athens

PELOPONNESE

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Macedonia and Achaia

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Application For Philippians 2:1-8

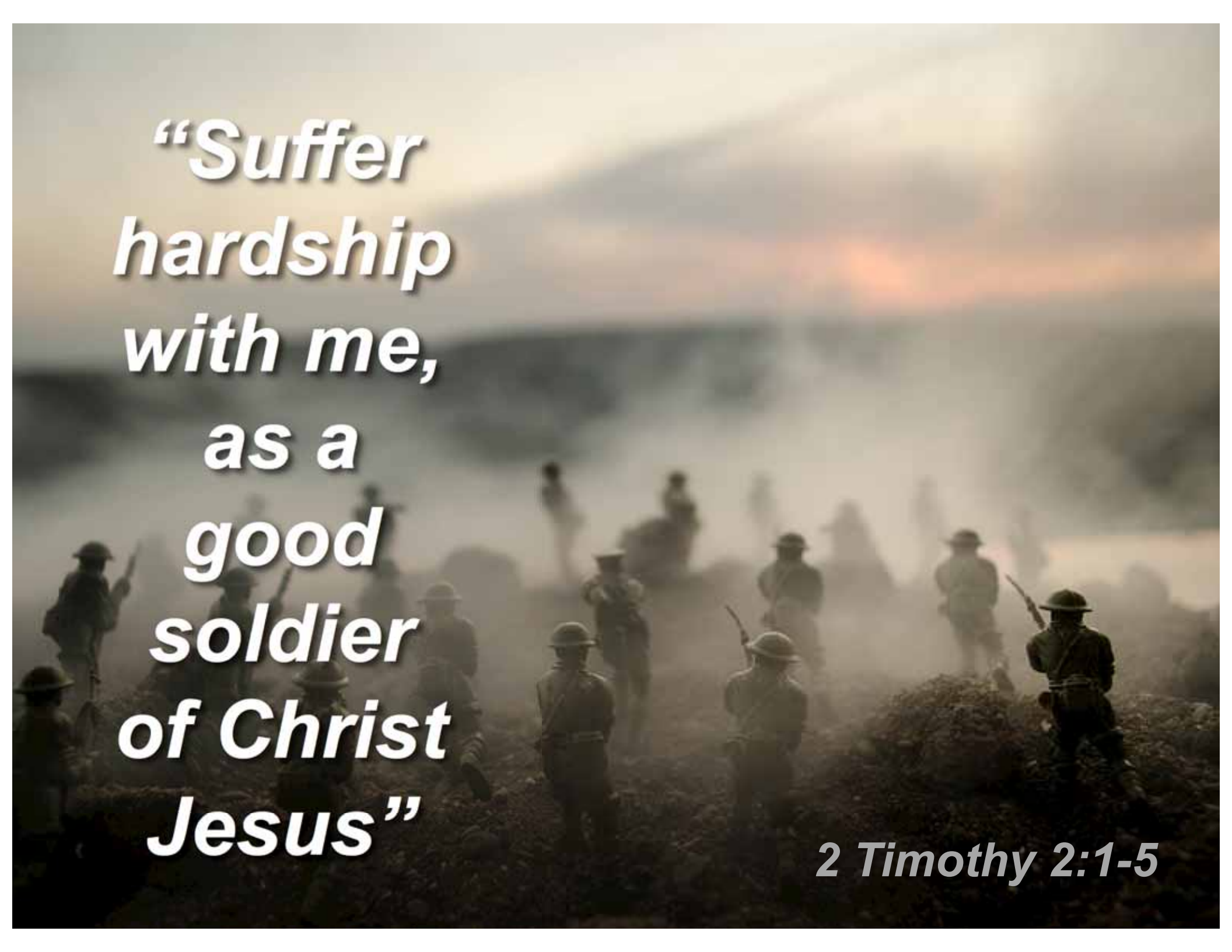
- v. 1** - ***Motivation for Christian Unity***
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Motivation for Christian Unity

Philippians 2:1

Therefore . . .

. . . refers back to chapter 1

A group of soldiers in silhouette on a battlefield at sunset. The soldiers are wearing helmets and carrying rifles, standing on a grassy field. The background is a hazy, orange-tinted sky, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is somber and reflective.

***“Suffer
hardship
with me,
as a
good
soldier
of Christ
Jesus”***

2 Timothy 2:1-5

O.T. Reveals We Are Self-Centered

Genesis 3:5-6

Deuteronomy 6:5

Leviticus 19:18

Four Greek “If” Statements

Philippians 2:1

- 1st Class IF** - *Statement is true*
- 2nd Class IF** - *Statement is false*
- 3rd Class IF** - *Statement is probable*
- 4th Class IF** - *Statement is possible*

“Any Encouragement In Christ”

Philippians 2:1

If any encouragement in Christ . . .



**paraklesis = “come alongside
and comfort”**

Luke 6:24

Acts 4:36

Rom. 15:5

2 Cor. 1:3-4

1 Peter 5:7

“Any Consolation of Love”

Philippians 2:1

If any consolation of love. . .



***paramythion = “comfort resulting
from verbal
encouragement”***



Comforted

“Any Fellowship of the Spirit”

Philippians 2:1

If any fellowship of the Spirit . . .



***koinonia = “sharing,
partnership”***

Eph. 1:13-14

Eph. 5:17

Gal. 5:22-23

Rom. 8:26

1 Cor. 12:11

“Any Affection & Compassion”

Philippians 2:1

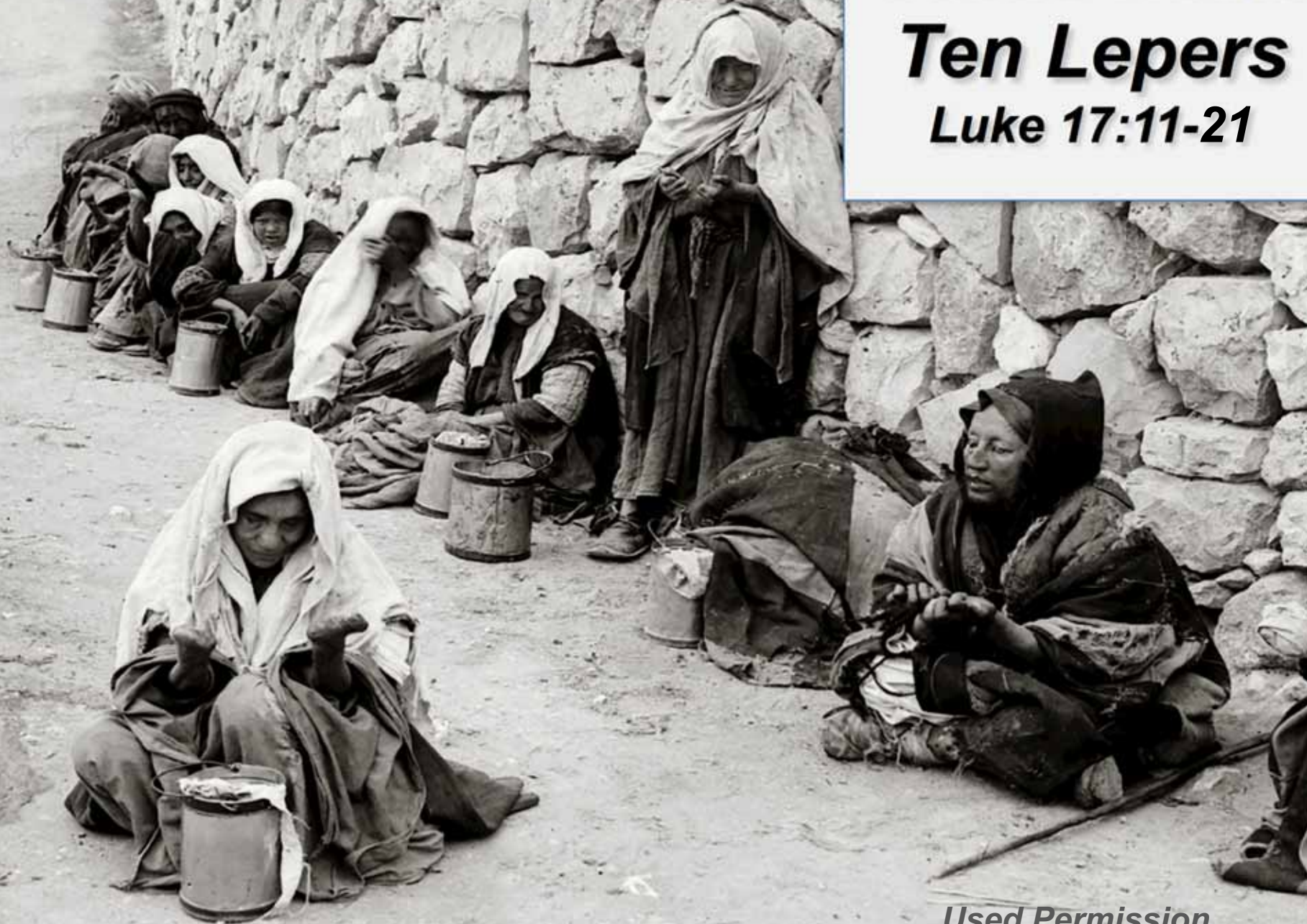
oiktirmos = “mercy”

If any affection and compassion . . .

splanchnon = “bowels, emotions”

Jesus Heals Ten Lepers

Luke 17:11-21



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Luke 17:11-21



***Because of all that God has
done for you be thankful***

AND

Pursue Unity