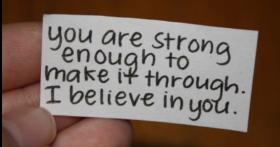
#### I AM CONFIDENT OF THIS



PHILIPPIANS 1:3-6

#### I. I am always thankful for you (Philippians 1:3).

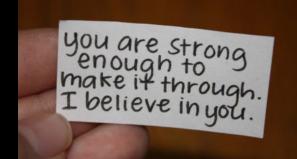


 How did it make the Philippians feel when this letter was read to them?

 How many reasons do we have to be thankful for our brothers and sisters in Christ?

 How can we do a better job of letting them know how they have blessed us?

### II. In my prayers for you, I pray with joy(Philippians 1:4).



 Why should we pray with joy for our new Christians?

 Why should we pray with joy for our more established Christians?

 How does it help both us and them when we choose to pray for them with joy?

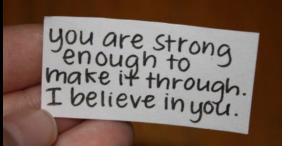
## III. I continue to be thankful for your partnership in the gospel (Philippians 1:5).



- How had the church in Philippi been partnering with Paul (4:15-16)?
- How have you been partnering in the gospel with me for these last almost 13 years?

 How have you been partnering in Zambia, Uganda, Michigan and elsewhere?

## IV. I have confidence in you because of my confidence of God in you (Philippians 1:6).

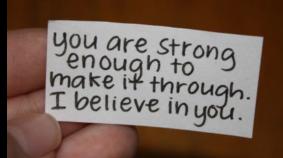


 What behaviors had motivated Paul to have confidence in the Philippians?

 What behaviors have motivated me to have confidence in you?

 Why is it so important to understand that God is the ultimate source of our confidence?

# Call to Action: To appreciate and communicate our confidence in God's work in our brethren.



- Why is it important to always give thanks?
- To what extent are your prayers filled with joy?
- How are you continuing your partnership in the gospel?
- For what reasons should people have confidence in you?
- How can you provoke even more confidence?

-How can we help?