“Children Of God Without Fault”  
Phil. 2:15

Introduction:
A. Children of God are expected to live right in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation.
1. Must not be reclusive - not hermits.
   a. “In the midst” - “among whom”
   b. Example of Jesus. (Mt. 9:11,12)
B. Children of God can make three simple resolutions that will help them be “without fault”:

Discussion:
I. They Can Resolve to Conduct Themselves Worthy of the Gospel of Christ. (Phil. 1:27).
A. By being united in the gospel.
   1. Standing fast in one spirit (cf. Phil. 2:2)
   2. Striving together - not against each other (cf. Phil. 4:1-4)
   3. Striving together for the faith of the gospel. (cf. 2:16; Jude 3; Rom. 10:17).
      b. Not united with the world. (2 Cor. 6:14,17; Lk. 12:51-53).
B. By being courageous in the face of opposition. (Phil. 1:28-30)
C. By rejoicing in the Lord always. (Phil. 4:4)
   1. Through moderation/gentleness - epi (intensively) iekos (reasonable). (Phil. 4:5).
   2. Through prayer. (Phil. 4:6, 7).
   3. Through proper meditation. (Phil. 4:8).
   4. Through following apostolic teaching and example (Phil. 4:9).

II. They Can Resolve to Avoid Selfish Ambition and Conceit. (Phil. 2:3).
A. By following the perfect example of Jesus. (Phil. 2:5-11)
B. By esteeming others better than ourselves. (2:3,4 cf. Rom. 9:3).
   1. Saves marriages, churches, and sinners. (cf. 1 Cor. 9:19-22).
   2. Preserves brethren. (cf. 1 Cor. 8:13).

III. They Can Resolve to Always Obey. (Phil. 2:12)
A. Must “work out your own salvation” knowing that it is really God working in us (v. 13).
   1. We must each do his own thing - no one can obey or do our work for us.
   2. Yet, we are not doing our work, but the Lord working in us - are truly “His hands.”
B. Must do all of this without complaining. (2:14).

Conclusion:
A. What an influence we might have on this crooked generation if we always:
   1. Conducted ourselves worthy of the gospel.
   2. Did nothing from selfish or egotistical motives.
   3. Always obeyed Him without complaining.
B. Are you a child of God without fault in the midst of crooked and perverse generation?