



**Sunday, September 13**

**Philippians 2:19-30**

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**“Gospel Centered Lives Worth Honoring and Imitating”**

*Philippians: Partnership in the Gospel*

## **I. Gospel-Centered Living: Selfless Concern for Christ’s Church (Philippians 2:20–24)**

### **A. Have Genuine Concern for the True Welfare of others (vv. 20–21)**

1) This requires selfless sacrifice rooted in what JESUS wants (v. 21)

<sup>20</sup> *For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare.* <sup>21</sup> *For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.*

### **B. Serve in the Gospel with Proven Character (vv. 22–24)**

<sup>22</sup> *But you know Timothy’s proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel.* <sup>23</sup> *I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me,* <sup>24</sup> *and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.*

## **II. Gospel-Centered Living: Selfless Perseverance to Risk your Life for Christ’s Work (Philippians 2:25–30)**

### **A. Consider the needs of others (vv. 25–26)**

- 1) Paul’s need in prison (v. 25)
- 2) The Philippian church’s need of concern (v. 26)

<sup>25</sup> *I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need,* <sup>26</sup> *for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill.*

### **B. Risk your Life for the Work of Christ (vv. 27–30)**

- 1) God’s mercy extended his life and alleviate the sorrow of others (vv. 27–28)
- 2) “Receive him in the Lord...and HONOR SUCH MEN” since he risked his life “for the work of Christ” (vv. 29–30).

<sup>27</sup> *Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.* <sup>28</sup> *I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious.* <sup>29</sup> *So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men,* <sup>30</sup> *for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.*