

Bible Study on Philippians 2:19-30

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What stands out to you from the passage? (Or what stood out to you from the sermon on Sunday?)
Do you have any particular questions about the passage?

Verses 19-24 (Timothy)

* Why does Paul want to send Timothy to the Philippians? (cf. 1:27, 2:1-2, 2:17)

What does this tell us about Paul? How does that challenge you?

* What does Paul want the Philippians to know about Timothy?

Why do you think he's highlighting these qualities?

* How would you rate your tendency to look out for the interests of Jesus and the welfare of others (rather than your own)? What would help you take steps towards being more of a 'Timothy'?

Verses 25-30 (Epaphroditus)

Because Paul cannot send Timothy immediately, he is sending Epaphroditus (v23-25).

* Why else is Paul keen to send Epaphroditus back quickly? (v26-28)

- How do Paul's and Epaphroditus's concerns here set an example in humbly considering the needs of others above our own?

* How does Paul describe Epaphroditus (v25)? Why do you think he describes him like this? (note v29-30)

Reflection

* How do the examples of Paul, Timothy and Epaphroditus in this passage challenge you personally?

* Who's example are you looking to as you learn to follow Jesus?

* Who are you seeking to set an example for?