

PHILIPPIANS 2:19-30

Sermon Reflection Questions

These questions are designed to help individuals, families, and small groups discuss and apply passages in the Philippians sermon series as taught at Grace Bible Church in fall 2018.

Observe & Interpret

Read Philippians 2:19-30. How does this passage connect to 2:1-18? Why did Paul mention Timothy and Epaphroditus at this point in the book?

Why did Paul have such confidence in these two men? What did he appreciate and praise in regard to their character and conduct?

Why is it significant that Paul had “no one else of kindred spirit” (cf. 2 Timothy 4:9-11)? What can we learn about spiritual leadership and influence from this passage?

What can we learn about caring for other people in this passage? Specifically, what cost did these men pay in their service to others? And what benefits did their service yield?

How did Timothy and Epaphroditus personify the theme of “unity” which is seen throughout chapter 2?

Apply

How can you imitate the examples of Timothy and Epaphroditus this week 1) in your home; 2) to your friends; 3) among your co-workers?

Who can you intentionally seek to lead closer to Jesus this semester? Is there somebody to whom you can say, “Imitate me just as I also imitate Christ” (1 Corinthians 11:1)?

Memorize: Philippians 2:22. But you know of his proven worth, that he served with me in the furtherance of the gospel like a child serving his father.