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PHILIPPIANS: Joy in the Journey

Lesson Fifteen • Philippians 2:19-24
Faithful Servants — Part 1

Our Need for Role Models

We all need <u>FAITHFUL</u> role models to watch and imitate as we strive to follow Jesus Christ in our lives.

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. Philippians 3:17

Importance of the Travelogue

Paul moves from instructions and imperatives to real-life <u>ILLUSTRATIONS</u> of what it looks like to live worthy of the Gospel in Christlike humility.

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ... Philippians 1:27

The First Faithful Servant to Follow

Timothy: an Example of a SELFLESS Servant.

I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be cheered by news of you. . . . I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also. Philippians 2:19. 23-24

Timothy: An Example of a Selfless Servant

1. Timothy was <u>LIKEMINDED</u>, caring about the spiritual welfare of others and seeking the interest of Christ!

For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. Philippians 2:20-21

Which Verse Are You Living Out?

Those who live out Philippians 1:21 serve for the adoration of <u>CHRIST</u>. Those who live out Philippians 2:21 serve for the promotion of <u>SELF</u>.

2. Timothy was <u>TESTED</u>, proving his character and worth through endurance of affliction!

But you know Timothy's proven worth... Philippians 2:22

Simple Equation

 $\underline{T} + \underline{D} = \underline{G}$ Time + Discipline = Growth

3. Timothy was <u>DEVOTED</u>, willing to serve faithfully in the Gospel!

...how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel. Philippians 2:22

Life Lesson from Timothy

Choose to live for <u>CHRIST</u>, not <u>SELF</u>. Make Philippians 1:21 your life verse, not Philippians 2:21.

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21