

Better Together
Philippians 2:19-30
The Church at Philippi
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The gospel rarely advances in isolation, but it flourishes in partnership.

Philippians 2:19

1. GOSPEL PARTNERS _____ DEEPLY.

Philippians 2:20-21; 22-24

2. GOSPEL PARTNERS _____ PERSONALLY.

Philippians 2:25

Rome to Philippi - Between 700-1000 miles, and it took 4-8 weeks to complete.

Philippians 2:26-27

The gospel has always advanced with ordinary people who choose faithful sacrifice.

3. GOSPEL PARTNERS _____ ONE ANOTHER.

Philippians 2:29-30

We are better together.

Questions for Further Study

1. The sermon opens with the image of a “one-man band.” What makes that illustration effective in explaining Paul’s message in Philippians 2?
2. Verse 21 says, “Everyone looks out for their own interests.” Why do you think Paul makes such a strong statement here?
3. Paul describes Timothy as serving “like a son with his father.” What does that reveal about how ministry and leadership development should function in the church?
4. Epaphroditus is called a “brother,” “co-worker,” and “fellow soldier.” What do those three descriptions together communicate about gospel partnership?
5. Paul elevates Epaphroditus’ faithfulness even though he wasn’t a preacher or public figure. What does that teach us about how God measures significance?
6. Paul commands the church to “honor people like him” (Phil. 2:29). Why is celebrating the faithfulness of others an important mark of spiritual maturity?