



# Philippians

**TO LIVE IS CHRIST**

## Lesson Nine: Pictures of Grace

Philippians 2:19-30

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<sup>19</sup> I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be cheered by news of you. <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. <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.

<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. <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.

## **Discussion Questions:**

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1. Why do we need pictures of grace in the lives of God's people?  
(See Hebrews 13:7-8 and Philippians 1:27-2:18.)
2. How does Paul's submission to God point us to Jesus? (vv. 19, 24)
3. In what areas do we need the Lord to help us submit to His will?
4. How does Timothy's selflessness point us to Jesus? (vv. 20-22)
5. How can we move from selfishness to selflessness,  
from seeking our own interests to those of Jesus Christ?
6. How does Epaphroditus' sacrifice point us to Jesus (vv. 25-30)?
7. What keeps us from taking risks?  
Where is the Lord calling us to sacrifice?
8. Who have been the pictures of grace in your life? Pray that the Lord  
would make us pictures of grace who point others to Jesus.



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## **Upcoming Opportunities**

### **Work as Mission Breakfast**

“Faith in the Business World” with Bob Doll

Friday, March 21, 7:30 a.m., PCPC

Invite friends and register at [pcpc.org/events](http://pcpc.org/events).

### **Solitude Saturday**

Saturday, March 22, 9:00-11:30 a.m., PCPC

No registration needed.

### **Parish Prayer Meetings**

Sunday, March 23, 4:00 p.m., in different homes around the city.

Visit [pcpc.org/parish](http://pcpc.org/parish) and attend a prayer meeting near you.