DISCOVER. UNDERSTAND. APPLY

Bible Study:
Philippians 2:25-30

Small Group Session November 7, 2021













TAKE-HOME PRINCIPLE









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25 But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs.



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26 For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. 27 Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow.



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28 Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety.



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29 So then, welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor people like him, 30 because he almost died for the work of Christ. He risked his life to make up for the help you yourselves could not give me.



Take Home Principle

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Discovery Questions

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#1

Who is Epaphroditus?



Discovery Questions

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#2

What happened to Epaphroditus? Why did Paul send him back?



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#3

What was Paul's instruction to the Philippian believers concerning Epaphroditus upon his return?



Understanding Questions

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#1

Why do you think the church in Philippi sent someone to help Paul? What was Paul's situation when he wrote this letter to the Philippians?



Understanding Questions

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#2

Why do you think Paul spoke highly of Epaphroditus? What was it about him that Paul valued and appreciated?



Application Questions

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#1

What speaks to you most about his character? How can you follow his example in your own life?



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#2

Paul said to give people like Epaphroditus the honor that he deserves. Are there people like him in your church / community? Think of ways you can honor him/her/them.



Application Questions

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#3

Following the example of Epaphroditus, can you think of someone in particular that needs to be ministered to, but requires some sacrifice, and for you to step out of your comfort zone? How do you feel about it? [If excited and eager to minister, then praise God! If there is a struggle or some hesitation, then it is something to pray about]



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Closing Prayer

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