

KEY TEXT:

PHILIPPIANS 1:3-11



CENTRAL IDEA

WE CAN FACE LIFE'S DIFFICULTIES WHEN WE KNOW WE DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THEM ALONE.

OPTIONAL VIDEO

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/Series/368582?episode=1>

QUESTIONS

1. To recap, how did the church in Philippi get started? (Acts 16:6-40)
2. What does Paul do to express his love and affection for the Philippians?
3. What does it look like to experience joy because of the fellowship we have with other Christians? When have you experienced that type of joy?
4. What does Paul pray for the Philippians in verses 9–11? How would your life look different if you knew another Christian prayed the same things for you, or you consistently prayed this for others?

GOING DEEPER

<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/seven-prayers-for-those-you-love>

NEXT STEPS

How will you respond when the Holy Spirit prompts you to pray for others along the way? Personally? As a group?

SHARE

Now that you've spent time learning about this part of Philippians, how would you explain the main points of these verses to a friend? If you were going to explain what you learned to a friend, what would you say?