

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026

MORNING MESSAGE

“A Few Good Men”

Philippians 2:17-30

- I. PAUL THE MISSIONARY (vv.17-18)
 - A. His sacrifice – “Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith” (v.17a)
 - B. His satisfaction – “I joy, and rejoice with you all” (v.17b)
 - C. His sharing – “For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me” (v.18)
- II. TIMOTHY THE MINISTER (vv.19-24)
 - A. His commission – “But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort when I know of your state” (v.19)
 - B. His commendation – “For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state. For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ’s” (vv.20-21)
 - C. His cooperation – “But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served me in the gospel. Him therefore I hope to send presently; as soon as I shall see how it will go with me. But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly” (vv.22-24)
- III. EPAPHRODITUS THE MESSENGER (vv.25-30)
 - A. His attributes – “Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labor, and fellow soldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants” (v.25)
 - B. His ailment – “For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick. For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow” (vv.26-27)
 - C. His affirmation – “I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be less sorrowful. Receive him therefore, in the Lord with gladness; and hold such in reputation: Because

for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me” (vv.28-30)