

Joyful Faith

IN AN UNPREDICTABLE WORLD

WELCOME! This morning we're continuing a study of Paul's letter to the church in the city of Philippi. Written during a period of imprisonment, Paul's words nevertheless reflect a deep joy rooted in his relationship with Jesus. He thanks the church for their support, commends their service, and shapes their perspective on suffering. Thank you for joining us as we think about these things!

Participate

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH
ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **CHILD DEDICATION, FEBRUARY 9:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » **LORD'S SUPPER, FEBRUARY 16:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM, MARCH 23:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **GIVE AT ANY TIME:** Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. *Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.*

- I. **Jesus' example** of faithfulness (see 2:1–11) informs how we should live — Philippians 2:14–18
 - A. Christ's ultimate faithfulness leads us to follow his example without complaining or arguing — 2:14
 - B. This attitude allows us to live as lights in a dark world — 2:15–16
 - C. Paul understands there is a purpose behind his suffering — 2:17–18
- II. **Timothy's example** of faithfulness — Philippians 2:19–24
 - A. Timothy was a model of self sacrifice for the sake of others, a living example of Paul's exhortation (see 2:3–4).
- III. **Epaphroditus' example** of faithfulness — Philippians 2:25–30
 - A. Epaphroditus brought the gifts from Philippi to Paul and stayed with him to support in the work of ministry (see 4:18).
 - B. Paul's humanity and selflessness is on display in his eagerness to send Epaphroditus back to Philippi.
 - C. Epaphroditus models willingness to obey "to the point of death" like Christ.

Notes

CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS
IN THE SPACE BELOW

Takeaways

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » What words describe your experience with Jesus?
- » What is the overarching attitude of your life?
- » What type of person do you find yourself honoring?
- » What worries you about embracing humility?
- » Who has shown humility in how they have served you?
- » How might you intentionally thank that person this week?



Child Dedication is a tradition in Grace Church that symbolizes an important relational commitment between your family, our spiritual family, and the Lord. Our next opportunity for you to participate will be Sunday, February 9.

- » **AS PARENTS**, it's a public statement of your intention to raise your children in a household that honors the Lord and teaches them about Jesus.
- » **AS A CHURCH**, it's an opportunity for us to meet your children and be reminded of our responsibility to provide a spiritual community that models Christ and helps nurture your children in their faith.

If you'd like to take this step, tap Sign Up in the Church Center app or at the top of gracechurch.com, select Child Dedication, pick a date, and reserve your spot! Please let us know right away, as a limited number of spaces are available.

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WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: Calendar, news, and more info

WEBSITE: Find detailed info online at gracechurch.com

CHURCH CENTER APP: Stay connected and go paperless ➡

