



### Opening prayer

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, even as You have committed the care and nurture of children to Your people, graciously enlighten those who are committed to your instruction that we may know Your eternal truth and trust in You all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



### Read Philippians 2:25-30

25 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, 26 for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. 27

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. 28 I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. 29 So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, 30 for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

### Watch the video

Follow this [link](#) or search for 'Grappling with Philippians 2' from the youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/Wolfmueller1>

### Review and Discussion Questions

1. What does the name Epaphroditus mean? What does that likely indicate about him?

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2. Paul mentions that we are united together in the Church for what reasons?

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3. What are the things that bind the Church together?

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4. Paul reminds us that every good gift that we receive is from whom?

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5. What are the things that the Church rejoices in until the Lord returns?

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6. With what three things do the saints on earth resist the attacks of the devil?

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7. Do these verses contain law, gospel, or both?

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