

DAILY READING PLAN



Week of October 9, 2022

No Matter What: Gratitude

Philippians 1:1-11

Day #1 – Read Philippians 1:1-2 | *This letter is from Paul and Timothy, slaves of Christ Jesus. I am writing to all of God’s holy people in Philippi who belong to Christ Jesus, including the church leaders and deacons. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.*

Paul wrote this letter to thank and encourage the Philippians, and to express his love for them. To whom might God be calling you to write a letter of thanks, encouragement or love today? Do it!

Day #2 –Read Philippians 1:3| *Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God.*

When is the last time you thanked God for someone in your life? Who comes to mind? What might this simple spiritual practice do for your relationship?

Day #3 – Read Philippians 1:4-5 | *Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now.*

Praying for the needs of others is at the heart of our faith. Who do you know and love who has a need? Lift them up in prayer to the Lord.

Day #4 –Read Philippians 1:6 | *And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.*

What “good work” has God begun in your life? How is God shaping you for service in the world? Do you trust that God will continue and even complete that work?

Day #5 –Read Philippians 1:9-11 | *I pray that your love will overflow more and more, and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding. For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ’s return. May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation—the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ—for this will bring much glory and praise to God.*

What is the “fruit” of your salvation? In other words, how has the Good News of God’s love and forgiveness shaped your life? Give thanks for that today.