

LOVING LIFE (PART 10)

Men of Honor

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Philippians 2:19-30 ¹⁹ I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. ²⁰ I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. ²¹ For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. ²² But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. ²³ I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me. ²⁴ And I am confident in the Lord that I myself will come soon. ²⁵ But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. ²⁶ For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow. ²⁸ Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety. ²⁹ Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him, ³⁰ because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me.

Who are these men?

Timothy:

Acts 16: 1-3, I Tim 1:3, Philippians 2: 19-24

Epaphroditus:

Philippians 2:29 – “... honor men like him.”

How can we be people of honor?

- _____ for people when others don't. Phil 2:20-21
- Commit to the process of _____ when others won't. Phil 2:22
- Take _____ when others _____. Phil 2: 29-30

How can we honor men and women like these?

- _____ them. Hebrews 10:24-25
- _____ them. Hebrews 13:7