

Honor People Like These

Scripture Reference: Philippians 2:19-30

Paul wrote in his letter to the Philippian Church about two exceptional young men, Timothy and Epaphroditus.

1. The word, "Honor," means to recognize someone's _____ or _____. It is an attitude that needs to be _____.
2. The _____ honors people who are intelligent, rich, beautiful, and powerful.
3. But CHRIST honors people for different reasons; _____ reasons.

II. Background information:

1. Paul was in _____ for preaching the Gospel. **Acts 21-25**
2. He was awaiting ... either his _____, or the _____ of his trial.
3. Paul told his beloved Philippians that when he learned of the court's decision, he would _____ to them with the news of the trial's outcome.
4. Paul was ready to _____ whatever came. **1:21-26**
5. Epaphroditus _____ to Paul from his friends in Philippi, for Paul's _____ in prison. Epaphroditus then returned with Paul's _____ letter (_____) to Philippi that we have today.
6. The distance from Philippi, Greece to Rome, Italy was over _____ and would have taken _____ to travel, largely by foot.
7. Epaphroditus was a _____/elder in the church in Philippi. **2:25-30**
8. While staying with Paul in Rome he became _____. **2:27,30**
After Epaphroditus recovered he _____ home to Philippi.

III. Reasons the Philippian Church should hold these two Christian brothers in honor:

1. People like these men are _____. **V.20**
2. They cared about the _____, the Church in Philippi, far more than in _____. **V.20-21, John 21:15-17**
3. They had _____ themselves to be _____ in the past. **V.22, Mt. 25:21,23, 2 Timothy 2:2**
4. These men were like _____ to Paul. **V.22** Everything in life is based on _____. Relationship is built on _____.
The Church is JESUS' _____.
5. Timothy and Epaphroditus did the _____ others avoided. They were _____, _____, and loyal. "brother, fellow worker, fellow soldier" **V.25**

IV. Biblical Reasons to Honor People:

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