
Phil. 2:27 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.

7. Men Who Put _____ Before Comfort.

Phil. 2:29 Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him ...

“Honor” –

Phil. 2:30 ...because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me.

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■ Sacrifice—>Emptiness—>Identification—>Meaning—>Joy ■

1. Other-centered: Men who put _____ into action.

*Philippians 2:20 (of Timothy) “I have no one else like him, who takes a **genuine interest** in your welfare.”*

“Genuine” -

“Interest”–

2. Christ-centered: _____ what Jesus values.

■ *Phil. 2:21 For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.* ■

3. _____ and dependable

*Phil. 2:22 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.*

“Proved” –

4. _____ player; cooperative

Phil. 2:22 ... because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel.

5. “_____ -threat”

Phil. 2:25 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.

a. “Brother”

b. “Worker”

c. “Soldier”

Hebrews 13:17 Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.

6. Men Who Put the _____ of Christ Before Comfort

*Phil. 2:25b ...who is also your messenger, whom you sent to **take care** of my needs.*

“Take care” = “leitourgos”

Phil. 2:26 For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill.
