



What True Community Looks Like (Part 3) Philippians 4:10-20

MESSAGE NOTES

1. Caring about Gospel work and the people who devote their lives to it
2. Seeing others' needs as our own
3. Partnering in Gospel work through financial support
4. Investing in an eternally profitable mutual fund
5. Worshiping and pleasing God

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

What stood out to you from last Sunday's message? What are some ways you were impacted personally by it?

If you were assigned to evaluate our church's "care for Gospel work," how would you rate it? Poor, fair, above average, or excellent? Why?

How can we grow and improve in our care for Gospel work and the people who do it?

Do you naturally see others' needs as your own? What will help you grow in this?

Do you naturally see your own finances and material possessions as a resource to meet others' needs, or to meet ministry needs? Why or why not? How can we overcome our natural reluctance in this area?

What are some of the barriers to seeing financial support of Gospel work as "true community?" What are some principles, thoughts, attitudes that can help us see financial support of Gospel work as "true community?"

Is it helpful for you to think of financial sharing in Gospel work as an eternal investment? Why or why not?

The message emphasized that our financial offering is not only an individual act of worship, but a collective act of worship that pleases God. When we give, we are presenting a worshipful sacrifice to God together. Is this a new concept for you? How does it impact you?

What are some practical "take-aways" from this message and our discussion?