

GOOD TEAMMATES

February 16, 2020, Philippians 2:19-30

Good teammates walk the walk. Philippians 2:4-5. People like Timothy and Epaphroditus who Paul says are part of the A team. Philippians 2:19-30. This is the kind of leader Jesus wants you to be. Paul was in prison in Rome...

1. Lead like Timothy (“I have no one else like him”) literally a kindred spirit

- He will bring a good report. 2:19
- He genuinely cares for your interests. 2:20
- He has proved himself (passed the test). 2:22
- He is like a son to Paul. 2:22
- He has served with Paul in the work of the gospel. 2:22
- It was a sacrifice for Paul to send him from Rome to Philippi

2. Lead like Epaphroditus (from Philippi) whom Paul is sending back

- “Welcome him in the Lord **with great joy.**” 2:29 He’s not a failure.
- “**Honor people like him** because he almost died for the work of Christ. He risked his life...” 2:30 He’s not an embarrassment.
- My brother
- My co-worker
- My fellow soldier
- Your messenger (apostle)
- Your minister (leitourgos)
- “He longs for all of you...” 2:26
- “But God had mercy on him...” 2:27 Mercy me...