

Christ-like Examples
Philippians 2:19-30

Main Point:

Highly esteem those who are Christ-like examples in your life and follow their example.

1. Like the Philippians, you need to have personal examples of Christ-likeness to follow.

2. Christ-like examples to follow serve Christ by putting others first.

3. Christ-like examples to follow serve Christ with faithfulness even at great cost.

4. Highly esteem such Christ-like examples in your life.

5. Follow their example!

Quotations and Cross-References:

2 Timothy 3:10-11a ¹⁰ But you [Timothy] have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, ¹¹ persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra-- what persecutions I endured. (NKJV)

Frank Thielman: “Timothy’s mettle had been tested in the difficulty of apostolic service, and both Paul and the Philippians had found him as faithful as a son to his father, as willing to [serve] ... in the work of the gospel as Paul himself.”

Frank Thielman: “... Epaphroditus became a servant to Paul in his need ... and just as Christ Jesus ‘became obedient to death – even death on a cross’ ... so Epaphroditus came near death in faithful service to his commission.”

Matthew Henry: “Account such men valuable, who are zealous and faithful, and let them be highly loved and regarded. Show your joy and respect by all the expressions of hearty affection and good opinion.”