

REMEMBERING TO PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

(Philippians 1:3-7)

I. INTRODUCTION

II. THE SALUTATION TO THE PHILIPPIANS (1:1-2)

III THE PRAYER FROM PRISON (1:3-11)

A. Paul THANKED God for the Philippians (1:3)

1. The cause of his heartfelt thanksgiving was what the Lord had previously done _____ them and what He was presently doing _____ them.

2. There are at least four aspects of this thanksgiving that we do well to highlight...
 - a. It was a _____ thankfulness, and this is observed in the _____ that he utilized– “*I, my,*” and “*you.*”

 - b. It was an _____ thankfulness, “*I thank...*” (present tense verb)

 - c. His thankfulness was directed towards the _____, “*I thank my _____...*”

 - d. His thankfulness was based on his _____ of them.

B. Paul made INTERCESSION for the Philippians (1:4)

1. What things can we glean about Paul’s prayer life from this passage?
 - a. His prayer life was _____, as expressed in the word, “_____.”

 - b. His prayer life was repetitious and _____ as articulated in the phrase, “*always in _____ prayer of mine...*”

- c. The _____ of his prayer is revealed in the words, “*making* _____.”
- d. His prayer life was _____ as observed in the prepositional phrase, “*for* _____.”
- e. The _____ for his prayers to God on their behalf was because of the immense _____ that the Philippians brought him, “*making request for you all with joy.*”

C. Paul had continued FELLOWSHIP with the Philippians (1:5)

1. The noun “*fellowship*” (*koinonia*) describes _____ something in common, although a believer _____ have genuine fellowship with an unbeliever. (2 Cor. 6:14)
2. Biblical fellowship takes place with the “_____” in the local church who are like minded, as well as with the Triune God. (1 John 1:3-4)

D. Paul had CONFIDENCE in what the Lord was doing with the Philippians (1:6)

1. “*He who has begun a good work in you*” speaks of _____ tense salvation when they were _____ by God’s grace.
2. “*He...will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ,*” is referring to _____ tense; i.e., the Philippians’ ongoing sanctification, as well as _____ tense alluding to when their corruptible bodies would be transformed and glorified.

* What four things did the Philippians share with Paul concerning the Gospel (1:7)?

* What does all of this mean to you?