he was in chains.

## NIGH UNTO DEATH FOR JESUS CHRIST

(Philippians 2:25-30)

I.	PAUL'S EXHORTATION FOR UNITY MARKED BY HUMILITY (2:1-4)		
II.	THE HUMILIATION OF JESUS CHRIST (2:5-8)		
III.	THE EXALTATION OF JESUS CHRIST (2:9-11)		
IV.	TH	IE BELIEVER'S PROGRESSIVE SANCTIFICATION (2:12-16)	
V.	PA	UL USES HIMSELF AS AN EXAMPLE OF SELFLESS SERVICE (2:17-18)	
VI.	PA	UL USES TIMOTHY AS AN EXAMPLE OF SELFLESS SERVICE (2:19-24)	
VII	.PA	AUL USES EPAPHRODITUS AS AN EXAMPLE OF SELFLESS SERVICE (2:25-30)	
	A.	Epaphroditus had originally been sent the Philippians who were concerned about Paul's current state in prison, and with him he brought a gift to meet the apostle's needs. (4:18)	
	В.	It was Paul's intention to send Epaphroditus to the Philippians with the that he was currently writing to them. (2:25a)	
	C.	The apostle lists five notable things regarding his dear friend	
		1. Epaphroditus was Paul's in the Lord	
		2. he was a in the ministry	
		3. when it came to fighting the good fight, he was a good standing side by side with Paul in the thick of the	
		4. Epaphroditus was also the Philippians' to inform their beloved apostle how things were going with them, and to how he was getting along in prison	

5. he was the man who personally \_\_\_\_\_\_ to Paul's \_\_\_\_\_ while

D.	Epaphroditus not only seriously his home church, but he also had of heart, because the Philippians were so concerned about his recent			
	illr	ness. (2:26)		
E.	His sickness was so serious that it nearly took his life (v. 27)			
	1.	Paul's conclusion for Epaphroditus' amazing was that the Lord had on him.		
	2.	The apostle revealed just how much he Epaphroditus, because he viewed himself as an object of God's because of his recuperation.		
	3.	In a practical sense and on a personal level, Paul would have severely missed Epaphroditus' ministry and companionship to the point that he would have with a great deal of emotional		
F.		ul wanted the Philippians to give Epaphroditus a welcome, and to hold him in the regard, to view him as someone who was and very dear. (2:28-29)		
G.	The apostle listed three solid reasons why the Philippians were to appreciate this man (v. 30)			
	1.	Epaphroditus so hard for the cause of Christ, it nearly him his life.		
	2.	He probably his life by not being concerned about how he was getting.		
	3.	Epaphroditus worked on the side to make up for the in the Philippian financial gift.		
		* How can you personally apply this truth in your own life?		