

# Philippians Week 8

## Not to Your Own Interests

Memory Verse:

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

1 John 1:7

### 1) CATCH UP ON LIFE

*This is when we update each other on the day in and day out happenings of our lives. Because God is our Father, we are family. As church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)*

Celebrate the wins - where have you seen Jesus working in the last week (shaping you to be more like Himself or working in the lives of those that He's put around you)?

What (if any) big life updates do you need to catch us up on (positive or negative)? are there any practical needs you have right now?

Pray: Take every opportunity to pray and thank God for the good He's doing in our lives and ask for help and healing anywhere there is pain.

### 2) REVIEW THE MISSION

*Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we have been sent as missionaries in everyday life to display God's glory and lead others to repentance and faith through belief in the gospel. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20)*

What part of your schedule can you submit to Jesus for the sake of mission?

### 3) DISCUSS AND ENGAGE

*Since we follow Jesus, we seek to apply the Gospel continually to all of life. God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, to equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, to show us our sin, and to strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25).*

What are some ways you have seen the church beautifully serve one another?

#### Read Philippians 2:1-8

In verse 2, what does it mean to have "the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind"?

What are some ways we sin with selfish ambition and conceit in everyday life? In the life of the church?

How does what Paul says in v 5-8 confront our tendency to get this wrong?

What are some practical ways we can look not to our own interests but to the interests of others?