

**ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR FELLOW BELIEVERS IN CHRIST?
(Philippians 1:3-8)**

Introduction:

I. PAUL'S EXPRESSION OF LOVE TO THE PHILIPPIAN BELIEVERS (1:3-11)

A. THANKING GOD FOR FELLOW BELIEVERS IN CHRIST (1:3-6)

1. Expressing Gratitude for Church Leadership and Fellow Believers in Christ Jesus (1:3-5)

a. Thanking God for _____ of your fellow believers in Christ. (1:3)

- Do you think that every leader and saint in Philippi always did everything pleasing to Paul?

b. Thanking God with _____. (1:4)

- How was Paul's gratitude expressed?
- Was it difficult for Paul to pray for the Philippians?
- What magnitude of effort do you put forth in praying for others?

c. Thanking God for the long lasting _____. (1:5)

FELLOWSHIP (*koinonia*) = _____

- Upon what basis is your passionate fellowship(s) centered?
- What brings Biblical fellowship between two believers or within a local church?

d. Thanking God for His CONTINUAL TRANSFORMATION WORK in Fellow Believers. (1:6)

1. You can have _____ of God's Continual Transformation work. (Phil. 2:12-13)

- Why is this possible?

2. God will continue His work until Jesus Christ _____ the Church. (Phil. 2:16)

- When did God begin His work in you?

B. EXPRESSING ADORATION FOR FELLOW BELIEVERS IN CHRIST (1:7-8)

1. Carrying fellow believers in your heart encourages _____ toward them.

- Is this God's will for all of us?
- What naturally fills our hearts?

2. Carrying Believers in your heart combined with praying for them develops _____ to be with them.

- Who does Paul call to the witness stand?
- How are you doing with the "one anothers" in the church?

