



Philippians 2:19-30

¹⁹ I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. 20 I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. 21 For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. ²² But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. ²³ I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me. ²⁴ And I am confident in the Lord that I myself will come soon.

25 But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger,* whom you sent to take care of my needs. ²⁶ For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon

28 Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad * and I may have less anxiety. 29 Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him, 30 because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me. (NIV)



1. Honor Those Who Show Compassion.

Philippians 2:20-21 ²⁰ I have no one else like Timothy, who genuinely cares about your welfare. ²¹ All the others care only for themselves and not for what * matters to Jesus Christ. (NLT)



- Phillips Translation

People Who Put People Before Profits

Example: Good Samaritan (lk 10:30-36).

2. Honor Those Who Show Consistency

Philippians 2:22 22 But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. (NIV) *

People Who Put Character
Before Conformity.

Proverbs 10:9⁹ The man of integrity walks securely, but he who takes crooked paths will be found out.



3. Honor Those Who Show Cooperation.

Philippians 2:25 25 But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. (NIV)

People Who Put Cooperation Before Credit

- 1. He is called a Brother.
- 2. He Is Called a Fellow Worker.
- 3. He is Called a Fellow Soldier

Judges 20:11 ¹¹ So all the men of Israel got together and united as one man against the city. (NIV)

4. Honor Those Who Show Commitment.

Philippians 2:25-27 25 (Epaphroditus) ... who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. 26 For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. 27 Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on * him . . . (NIV)

People Who Put Christ Before Comfort.

James 2:17 ¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. (NIV)

5. Honor Those Who Show Courage.

Philippians 2:29-30 ²⁹ Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him, 30 because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me. (NIV)

Romans 12:1

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. (NIV)

Mark 8:35

35If you insist on saving your life, you will lose it. Only those who throw away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News will ever know what it means to really live. (TLB)

