

# Paul's Letter of Joy

***We Must Follow  
Epaphroditus' Example***

***Philippians 2:25 - 30***

Gabriel

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Amelia

?

Lucas

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Jayden

Carter

~~Ethan~~

~~Grace~~

Ava

Logan

Grayson

?

James

~~Jack~~

?

?

Chloe

?

?

WILLIAM

# Baby Names

# *Epaphroditus*

- *Common 1<sup>st</sup> century name*
- *Derived from Aphrodite*
- *Name means “Favored by Aphrodite”*
- *Later the name meant “loving”*



*Greek  
Goddess of  
Aphrodite*

# ***Background To Study***

**Philippians 2:14 - 18**

- v. 17** - *Philippians were serving sacrificially*
- v. 14** - *And complaining while doing it.*
- v. 18** - *They are urged to rejoice!*

# ***Examples of Sacrificial Service***

**Philippians 2:17 - 30**

***Paul***  
**v. 17-18**

**1<sup>st</sup> Example**

***Timothy***  
**v. 19-24**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Example**

***Epaphroditus***  
**v. 25-30**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Example**

# ***Compliments About Epaphroditus***

**Philippians 2:25**

## ***Relation to Paul***

***My brother***

***Fellow worker***

***Fellow soldier***

## ***Relation to the church***

***Your messenger***

***Your minister to  
my needs***

# *Paul Sent Epaproditus*

Philippians 2:25 - 26

*I thought it necessary to send . . .*



*pempo* = "to send"

# ***Why Epaphroditus Was Sent***

**Philippians 2:26 - 28**

- ***What do the reasons reveal about Epaphroditus' heart?***
- ***What do the reasons reveal about Epaphroditus' character?***



# ***Paul Urges The Church To Action***

**Philippians 2:29 - 30**

- ***Why should the church receive Epaphroditus with joy?***
- ***Why should the church honor him highly?***

***Epaproditus is an  
example of love,  
humility and sacrificial  
service.***