

Encouragement for All Christians Philippines 1:1-11, March 24th, 2019

- 1.) God's intended identity for every Christian is _____.
Your identity is not "_____" but "saint".
_____ your identity in Christ!
- 2.) _____ (charis) = Divine _____ or pleasure.
- 3.) _____ (eirēnē) = Rest, quietness, _____.
- 4.) "It is a glorious revelation of how life in fellowship with Christ triumphs over all adverse circumstances. The triumph, moreover, is not that of stoical indifference. It is rather the _____ that all apparently adverse conditions are made allies of the soul and ministers of victory, under the dominion of the Lord." (Morgan)
- 5.) It was indeed a good work begun in the Philippians and in all believers. "The work of grace has its root in the divine goodness of _____, it is planted by the self-denying goodness of _____, and it is daily watered by the goodness of _____; it springs from good and leads to good, and so is altogether good." (Spurgeon)
- 6.) As Christians we grow in grace and peace as we grow in our intimate _____ of God.
- 7.) This is speaking of both intellectual understanding and a relational experience of _____ in our lives!

Notes: _____

Growth Group Discussion Questions

(Complete at home on separate sheet of paper if needed)

- 1.) Is there anyone in your life that you can't help but feeling good inside every time you think about them?
- 2.) Are there people in your life that you pray for often? Who? Why?
- 3.) What does "Bondservant" (V:1) mean? In what way were Paul and Timothy "bondservants"? Should this attitude be applied to just certain Christians or all Christians? Why?
- 4.) Read Philippians 1:1-11. What does this text teach you about Saints (V:1) Grace and peace (V:2) God's work in you (V:6) Love (V:9-10) Knowledge (V:9) "Fruits of righteousness" (V:9-11)?
- 5.) What lesson or truth is most precious to you personally in today's text?
- 6.) Do you have any questions about today's text? Discuss.