

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Philippians 1:7-11

For the week of September 20, 2026

Big Idea: *God's work in us produces a love that is shaped by truth, leading to lives that glorify Him.*

What Does It Say? (*Training us to read the text carefully*)

1. In verses 7–8, what words and phrases does Paul use to describe his relationship with the Philippians? What do they reveal about Paul and what matters most to him?
2. In verse 9, what specifically does Paul pray will “abound more and more”? In what way might this abound?
3. Follow the progression of Paul's prayer in verses 9–11. How does growing love lead to discernment, and what does discernment then produce in a believer's life?
4. In verse 11, where does the “fruit of righteousness” come from, and what is its ultimate purpose? What does this reveal about the goal of Christian growth?

How is it expressed at RCC? (*Applying the truth in every area of our life*)

1. Paul's love for the Philippians is deeply personal and rooted in their shared life in Christ. What helps us move from simply being around one another at church to genuinely caring for one another?
2. Paul prays for a love that grows in “knowledge and all discernment.” How can we grow in loving people not just sincerely, but wisely and according to God's truth?
3. Spiritual maturity includes learning to “approve what is excellent.” What is shaping the things you value and prioritize right now, and how can God's Word increasingly shape them?
4. Paul ultimately wants their lives to result in “the glory and praise of God.” How can we grow in measuring our spiritual growth not merely by what we know or do, but by whether our lives increasingly point to Him?