An Example Of A Joyful Offering

Philippians 2:17-18

Sunday, June 16, 2024

Paul's Epistle can be outlined in 9 parts:

- 1. Paul's Gracious Greeting 1:1-2
- 2. Paul's Thankful Prayer 1:3-11
- 3. Paul's Challenging Circumstances 1:12-26
- 4. Paul's Christlike Exhortations 1:27-2:18
- 5. Paul's Faithful Companions 2:19-30
- 6. Paul's Serious Warnings 3:1-4:1
- 7. Paul's Joyful Instructions 4:2-9
- 8. Paul's Thankful Praise 4:10-20
- 9. Paul's Friendly Farewell 4:21-23

Two Components of Joyful Sacrifice

1. His Description of Sacrificial Service (vs.17)

I. It's poured out

II. It's poured upon

2 Timothy 4:6

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.

Romans 12:1

"Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship"

Ephesians 4:15-16

"Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love." Hebrews 10:24-25

"and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near."

2. His Delight in Sacrificial Serving (vs.18)

I. It's combined

II. It's contagious

Psalm 100:2 "...Serve the Lord with gladness!"

2 Cor 6:9-10

"as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything."