



Thankfulness



**This is God's Word for my life in this place and at this time.  
Today I am a new creation in Christ, I am God's very own,  
And I believe he has a purpose for my life.**



I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.



It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart; for whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.



And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1:3-11

# Reaching for Something More





***Relationships are the Key to Life***



***Consuming Relationships***



***Abusive Relationships***



***Mutual Relationships***



***Transformational Relationships***

# They stood Together

“Whether I am in chains or defending the gospel,  
all of you share in God's grace with me.” v7



Friends walk in when  
The rest of the world walks out.

They enjoyed the Presence of one another

“How I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.” v8



# They Prayed for one another

*“This is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more” v 9*



Christian relationships are rooted in LOVE



***Love is Patient*** — *a calm willingness to accept situations involving others that are irritating or painful*



*Love is Kind* – well disposed to service toward others



***It does not seek its own way!***





**CHURCH** -- Transformational Relationships in Action