

# I Thank My God for You

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## Philippians 1:1-11

1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons: 2 Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 I thank my God every time I remember you. 4 In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 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. 7 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. 8 God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. 9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, 10 so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ — to the glory and praise of God.

My prayer for Wylie Methodist is that we...

## 1. LOVE GREATLY

### Phil 1:9

9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight...

### Matt 22:37-40

37 Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself." 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

## John 13:34-35

[Jesus said] 34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

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## 2. DESIRE TO BE BLAMELESS

### Phil 1:9-10

9 And this is my prayer: ... 10 that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ...

### 1 Peter 1:15-16

15 But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; 16 for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

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## 3. SEEK THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF JESUS

### Phil 1:9-11

9 And this is my prayer: ... 10 that you may be... 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ...

### Matt 6:33

[Jesus said] "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well".

### 2 Cor 5:21

21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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## 4. EXIST TO BRING PRAISE AND GLORY TO GOD

### Phil 1:9, 11

9 And this is my prayer: ... 11 — to the glory and praise of God.

### 1 Peter 2:9

9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.