

Quarantined Prayer! Part 2

Review: **Philippians 1:3-6** Quarantined Prayer:

1. Is **thankful**. Vs 3
2. It's **joyful**. Vs 4
3. It's full of **faith**. Vs 5-6

Today: *We will see the heart of quarantined prayer.*

1. _____ in prayer for others.

⁷ Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace.

- 7a: This is proper. Why?
- 7b: **I have you in my heart! John 3:16**
Who do you really pray for?
- 7c: "ye are all partakers of my grace"
Who is being blessed thru your current distress?

⁸ For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

- When you long after others in your separation; let that fuel your prayers for them! Vs 9.

2. _____ of prayer for others.

⁹ And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all judgment;

- We need to love right!
Knowledge is recognition of _____, and **Judgment** is the perception of _____.
The goal for our love is _____.

It is impossible to love right without discernment!

How do we get it? **Psalm 119:66**

- **There are exactly two things that the Bible specifically tells you not to love.**

#1. _____ . Proverbs 20:13

Let's have discernment. Keep a schedule. Work. Work out. Play. Get time with family.

#2. The _____ . 1 John 2:15

Don't love the worldly way or worldly things – because if you do, you will end up living a life that is not of God! Believers need to love what God loves and hate what God hates.

SO- how do you focus that love?

- **What are the two most important things that we should love?**

#1. _____ . Matthew 22:37-38

You cannot love God without loving His word! **John 14:15; Ps 119:140**

#2 _____ .

John 13:34-35; Romans 12:10; 1 Thessalonians 3:12; Hebrews 10:24; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 John 4:7

You are to love the church like Christ loves His church! **Ephesians 5:25**

KEY: we need discernment in our love, why?

¹⁰ That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; ¹¹ Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

- **Approve _____ things. (vs 10a)**

_____ things are always the _____ of _____ things. (Of excellence.)
Ephesians 5:6-10; 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

- **Paul prays for them to have a Glowing Testimony – Vs 11-12**

“that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ;”

Sincere and without offence = tested good. – sincere = “_____”

that is, tested as *genuine* and pure.

The work of our life will be _____ tested. **Malachi 4:1-2; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15**

- **Paul finishes out the prayer for his friends.**

¹¹ Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

What is the fruit of your life?

Gold, silver, stones? Or Wood, hay, stubble?

Are your works for God in obedience to His Word, or were they for yourself in fulfilling your own personal desires?

Would to God that when you meet Jesus face to face, the testimony of your life would be one of maturity!

How are you INVESTING your quarantine?

Paul spent his in prayer. He spent it loving and edifying God’s people.