



LIFELINE Discussion Guide

Week of November 13, 2022

1. Read Philippians 1:1-11. What is the background and setting of this letter? Who wrote this letter and who received it? Can you explain the situation?
2. In verse 4, Paul praised this church for their “fellowship” in the gospel. What do most Christians today think of when it comes to “fellowship”? Why doesn’t this go far enough? What does it mean to be a “partner” in the gospel?
3. What is the “good work” that Jesus began in you, that He will bring to completion? (Philippians 1:6). What are some of the things you are currently experiencing through this ongoing process?
4. Paul prayed that the Philippian Christians would “abound” in love more and more. What kind of love is he talking about? How can you make this kind of love abound in your church family? Give some specific examples.
5. Christians need to be discerning— learning how to approve what is “excellent” both in spiritual and moral things. Take a glance at Philippians 4:8. What are some of the biblical filters you should use for media, music, movies, Netflix, TV, and internet content?
6. Who are some popular spiritual “teachers” today who are way off base? Go ahead, name some names. But explain your answer. Why should they be avoided?
7. Pastor Ryan said, “*You live for the commendation of Jesus, not the consent of the world.*” Explain this in your own words. How can you live as a commended Christian this week?