

“In the Footsteps of Heroes.2”

pt. 16 — Philippians 2:25-30

To Live is Christ

INTRODUCTION

- God’s call to serve

1. Epaphroditus’ character

- the man
- Paul’s affirmations
 - + “my brother”
 - + “my fellow worker”

“Earlier in this century, someone claimed that we work at our play and play at our work. Today the confusion has deepened: we worship our work, work at our play, and play at our worship.”
— *Leland Ryken*

“...it does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people’s minds.”
— *Samuel Adams*

- + “my fellow soldier”
Eph. 6:12

“Those who are in the teaching office should teach with the greatest faithfulness and expect no other remuneration than to be killed by the world, trampled under foot, and despised by their own...teach purely and faithfully, and in all you do expect not glory but dishonor and contempt, not wealth but poverty, violence, prison, death, and every danger.”
— *Martin Luther*

+ “your messenger”

+ “your minister”

“All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing.”
— *Edmund Burke*

- his risk

“If Christ lives in us, controlling our personalities, we will leave glorious marks on the lives we touch—not because of our lovely characters, but because of His.”
— *Eugenia Price*

2. Paul’s choice

- Paul’s circumstances
2 Tim. 4:16
- Paul’s comrades
 - + Timothy (2:19-20)
 - + Epaphroditus (2:25-26)

- Paul’s choice

CONCLUSION

