

THE SECRET TO YOUR BEST YEAR YET

PHILIPPIANS 1:1-11



What feelings do you have about leaving 2020 behind and launching into 2021? What has God been teaching you this past year?

Relationships in church community are as much a partnership as Paul's relationship with the Philippians is. How does Philippians 1:1-11 refresh your expectations for church community?

Gospel partnership is expressed in prayerful remembrance of one another. What do we pray for one another... especially when we don't know what to pray? Philippians 1:9-11 is a great place to start.

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. Amen

The Western church needs nothing more urgently than groups of believers, unknown, unsought, privately, faithfully, without promotion or fanfare, covenanting together to seek God's face, praying urgently for what is best as we contemplate the day of Jesus Christ – praying, in short, for revival. What would the end of these things be? God is sovereign and full of compassion: who knows what he might do?

Don Carson, A Call To Spiritual Reformation, 137