

## Lone Ranger or Team Player?

Philippians 2: 19-30 Steve Holdaway, LifeSpring Church, 02 26 23

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## Philippians 2

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<sup>25</sup> I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need, <sup>26</sup> for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill.

Why you need to be part of a Christian team: You cannot reach everyone.

You need believers who will stand with you.

## You need brothers, sisters, coworkers, and fellow soldiers.

Eccl. 4:9-12 9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: 10 If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up! 11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? 12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

Truth: The one thing that will determine the effectiveness of your Christian life <u>5 years from now</u> is the believers that you spend time with <u>today</u>. Don't do your faith alone!

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For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. But you know Timothy's proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel.

Philippians 2:21-22

I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.

Philippians 2:23-24

I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need,

Philippians 2:25

I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men,

Philippians 2:28-29

for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

Philippians 2:30

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