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MAY-JULY 2023  
**Learning about  
relationships  
from Philippians**



**Being a  
Christ-like  
community**



**I have you in my  
heart**

**Philippians  
1:1-11**

**Being a Christ-like community**



**Phil.**

**1**

**1-2**

**1** Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all God's holy people in Christ Jesus at

Philippi, together with the overseers and

deacons:

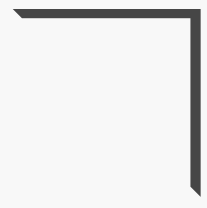
**2** Grace and peace to you from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ.

So much  
affection in  
Philippians  
1:1-11!

AFFECTION 情感

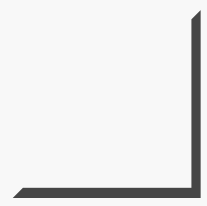




**Phil.**

**1**

**3**



**3** I thank my God **every**  
**time I remember you.**





**Phil.**

**1**

**4-5**

**4** In all my prayers for all of you,

**I always pray with joy**

**5 because of your partnership**

**in the gospel from the first day**

**until now,**



**Phil.**

**1**

**7a**

**7a** It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, **since I have you in my heart...**



Phil.

1

7b

7b ...and whether I am in chains  
or defending and confirming  
the gospel, **all of you share in  
God's grace with me.**





**Phil.**

**1**

**8**

**8** God can testify how I long  
for all of you with the  
affection 心腸 of Christ  
Jesus.



A Christ-like  
community has  
affection for one  
another.

**Because Christ has  
affection for us (v8).**



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**Be confident that God  
will help you, v6**



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Keep no records,  
Col. 3:13 & 1 Cor. 13:5.



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# The Holy kiss

“They all wept as they embraced him and kissed him.”

**Acts 20:37**

“Greet one another with a holy kiss.” **Romans 16:16**

“All the brothers and sisters here send you greetings.  
Greet one another with a holy kiss.” **1 Corinthians 16:20**

“Greet one another with a holy kiss.” **2 Corinthians 13:12**

“Greet all God’s people with a holy kiss.” **1 Thess. 5:26**

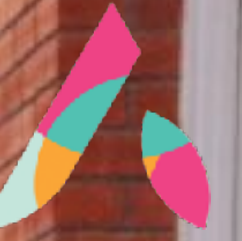
“Greet one another with a kiss of love.” **1 Peter 5:14**

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“I have you in my heart.” Philippians 1:7

► **How about you?**

How will you become more affectionate?

► **Parents:**

How will you teach & encourage your children to show affection?