

EPISODE NO. 337

Philp. 2:19-30

About Timothy

Paul wrote these words: 19 In the Lord Jesus, I hope to send Timothy to you soon. Then I will be cheered up when I find out about what is happening with you. 20 Timothy is the only one who has the same attitude I have. He really cares about what happens to you. 21 Everyone else looks out for himself — not for the things of Jesus Christ. 22 But you know that Timothy has passed the test. Timothy has served with ME for the Good News, as a son working for his father. 23 So, I hope to send him, whenever I see how things go here. 24 I am sure, in the Lord, that I myself will also come soon.

About Epaphroditus

25 However, I think I need to send back Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker, and fellow-soldier. He is your messenger, and he has helped me with whatever I needed. 26 He yearns for all of you. He feels depressed, because you heard that he was sick. 27 He was so sick that he almost died! Nevertheless, God gave him mercy — and not just him, but me too! I would have become sadder and sadder. 28 So, I am very eager to send Epaphroditus. When you see him again, you will be happy. And, I will not feel so sad. 29 Welcome him in the Lord with great joy. Give honor to such men like him. 30 For Christ's work, Epaphroditus almost died. He risked his life to make up for what was missing in your service to me.