

The Correspondent



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*For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth... in every place.
(1 Thessalonians 1:8)*

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Seeking the Interest of Christ

-Renn Ferguson

AS Paul was writing the letter to the church at Philippi he wrote, "I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon so that I too may be cheered by news of you. For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. For they all seek their own interests, not those Jesus Christ." (2:19-221, ESV)

From this we can notice a few things. We can see Paul care for the church at Philippi. He was regularly concerned for his brethren throughout the world (2 Corinthians 11:28).

We also see Paul's confidence in Timothy. Timothy, unlike others, had genuine concern for the Philippians" Far this reason Paul trusted him. Timothy was not like many who sought their own purposes, wills, or glorification. He sought the interests of Christ. This is the same attitude that we all should have. But, what are the interests of Christ? Here are a few.

1. Christ is interested in the salvation of all men (Hebrews 5:9).
2. Christ is interested in the unity of His followers (John 17:20-21)
3. Christ is interested in us showing love for all, and one another (John 13:34-35, Matthew 5:43-48).
4. Christ is interested in us obeying the Father (Matthew 7:21-23).
5. Christ is interested in us building one another up (Hebrews 10:24-25).
6. Christ is interested in us going to heaven (John 14:1-6, Hebrews 12:1-2).

Are you seeking the interests of Christ?

John 17:20-21

²⁰ *"I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word;*

²¹ *that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.*

2023 Theme:
Children of Light

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