**Philippians... Mark it up!**

**Security (Phil. 4:15-23) March 21, 2021**

Hebrews 11:6 | Proverbs 3:9-10 | 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-11

**Learn it, link it, Live it.**

**Philippian generosity:**

* From the beginning
* Over the long haul
* Sacrificial

**The promise**: to supply my needs from His riches in Christ Jesus.

Security – generosity – trust are all connected.

* Trusting in the trustworthiness of God.

**Expressing trust through generosity.**

* The first not the leftover.
* All the time (a pattern and practice of life.)
* Sacrificially.

***There are more standing with you than you know.***

**Life Group Study**

For week of March 21, 2021

*We invite you to use these notes to continue the conversation throughout the week. Whether online or in person, we need to connect together!
This is our last week for Winter Session. Our Life Groups will get back together again for the Spring Session the week of April 19th.*

**Share your story**

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

*Think of a time where you did not feel very secure.* What did you do? What helped you?

*Jeff mentioned the connection between security, generosity, and trust.* How have you seen those connected together in your life?

**Connect to God’s story**

***If you haven’t yet, take a few minutes and read Paul’s letter to the Philippians and jot down anything that comes to mind as you read.***

**Read Philippians 4:15-23.**

Why was it important for the church in Philippi to know the value of their gifts to Paul’s ministry? Why was Paul excited about their gift?

From Philippians 4, how does God respond when we make offerings to Him by giving? How does the promise of God’s provision help you freely give to others?

**Read Matthew 6:25-34.**

Have you ever been afraid that if you give to meet the needs in God’s Kingdom that you will not have enough to meet your own needs? What promise does Jesus give us in this passage?

In thinking back over this letter to the Philippians, what area does God want to grow as you walk with Him? (Check all that apply)

* I need to learn the secret of contentment.
* I need to look to Christ for daily strength.
* I want my life to be a fragrant and acceptable offering that pleases God.
* I will trust God to meet my needs.
* I need to develop a generous heart.

What is one thing you appreciate about getting together with your Life Group this session?

*And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus. Now all glory to God our Father forever and ever! Amen.*

 *- Philippians 4:19-20 (NLT)*

**Real Life Prayer for 2021**

We have been on a journey together in 2020. We have prayed for a deeper, intimate, personal, and dependent relationship with all of God— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

As we step into the new year let us build on all God has done, let us step boldly. Our word for Real Life church in 2021 is **impact**.

*Lord, have impact in my inner self.*

*Lord, have impact in my trust in you and obey your leading.*

*Lord, have impact in the words of life and hope you give me.*

*Lord, have impact in my family.*

*Lord, have impact in our community.*

*Amen.*

God has prepared us to be His light and life and to be an impact everywhere. Let the impact begin now!

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