- 9. "The day of Jesus Christ" is a reference to the day when what happens?
- 10. The perseverance of the saints rests on the what?
- 11. Paul experienced great joy in loving relationships with whom?
- 12. The word "heart" refers to the entire inner man with the emphasis on what?
- 13. The fate of what was everything to Paul?
- 14. Paul didn't want his imprisonment to reflect poorly on what?
- 15. The Philippians were partners with Paul with the same what?
- 16. What was the source of Paul's great love for the believers?
- 17. Besides David, who else in Scripture was a "man after God's own heart"?
- 18. The Greeks and Hebrews saw the "bowels" as the seat of what?
- 19. If you can't control your emotions, then in Hebrew terminology your bowels are doing what?
- 20. What church was Paul possibly closer to than any other church?
- 21. What, about Paul, was continually doubted and questioned because of the strong nature of his message?
- 22. In 2 Corinthians 6:11-13 and 7:2-3 Paul appealed to the Corinthian believers to reciprocate what?
- 23. Paul's concern and burden for the Corinthian church was for what?
- 24. Paul even loved people whom he had never what?

- 25. Paul gave his life for the church because he saw them as what?
- 26. Do you have a true love for the church?
- 27. Why did the various other books written by Paul not overflow with the theme of joy like the book of Philippians did?
- 28. The Philippian believers didn't turn against Paul when he was what?
- 29. Who did the Philippian believers send to bring Paul a gift and to minister to him when he was in prison?
- 30. The word translated "long for" means to do what?
- 31. Who was distressed because his friends heard he was sick and he didn't want them worrying about him?
- 32. Are you one of those believers whom others just can't help but love?
- 33. Are you thoughtful, humble, genuine, tender and responsive to the Lord?
- 34. Are you a joy to be around and a joy for others to think about?
- 35. What action destroys the atmosphere needed for the loving relationships described in Philippians to develop?
- 36. What wrong attitude must be dealt with strongly both in the church and in raising children?
- 37. Ingratitude is the poisonous puss that oozes from a heart that is full of what?
- 38. Are you infected with the poison of ingratitude?

- 39. Where does the author of Hebrews speak to the relationship between people and their leaders and the leaders having joy?
- 40. Do you have the kind of relationships that are seen in the example of Paul's relationship with the Philippian believers? If not, what might God want you to work on and change in your life?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- » How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- » How can I accomplish this change?
- » What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Week:

- 1) Read Philippians 1:1-9 each day.
- 2) Memorize Philippians 1:9
- 3) What do you pray about? When you pray for others, what are the things you pray for in relation to them?

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"JOY FROM LOVING RELATIONSHIPS Philippians 1:7-8

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "Joy From Loving Relationships." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. Bitterness is like pouring acid on yourself and waiting for what?
- 2. If anyone had reason to be bitter, it was whom?
- 3. The heart of joy focuses on the good things that God has wrought in the lives of whom?
- 4. Where in Philippians are there suggestions of disunity in that church?
- 5. What do you forfeit when you focus on people's shortcomings, problems, and weaknesses?
- 6. Paul found joy in losing his problems in a self-less concern for the spiritual well being of others to the point of doing what?
- 7. Paul found joy in serving Christ in partnership with others so that, as a result, he experienced what?
- 8. Paul found joy in his confidence in the faithfulness of God to complete what?

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