

DATE: Saturday - Sunday, May 2-3, 2020

SERIES: LIVING IN THE PARENTHESIS: *Steps to a Joyful and Meaningful Life*

SERMON: Why the Church Matters

Philippians 1:1-11 NIV

[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.

[3] I thank my God every time I remember you.

[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,

[6] being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

[7] It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me.

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

[9] And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight,

[10] so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,

[11] filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

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Acts 2:42-47

1. We are the _____ of _____.

- _____ by the blood of Christ

- _____ to Christ.

- _____ Christ's work.

- _____ with Christ.

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2. We are _____ Christ's _____.

3. We are _____ the _____.

Lagniappe

Starting this week, you will receive a **new communication** from FBC Covington. It's called (*at least for the time being*) **Follow FBC Covington**. Its purpose is to keep you up to date with things you need to know.

So, what things do you need to know? The kind of things where you say, "I hadn't heard that." You know how that is. Other people know, but you don't know.

These are things such as births, new members, deaths and grief in the church family, and other areas we deem important to you.

These are the kinds of things which have not been communicated over the past seven weeks. We have catching up to do. This first communication won't give you everything you've missed. We'll take three or four weeks to do that.

It will also be a place where you can download or print out the sermon notes for this week and read the Lagniappe. You will find all of this at Fbccov.org.

Your life and circumstances have changed, and we are trying to meet those changes and anticipate others.

Please open this mail each week and take a short (or long) look at what has happened in the church family. Please also pray for the pastors and staff of FBC Covington as we try to meet new needs in a new day.

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