



PHILIPPIANS

the unshakable life

GROUP GUIDELINES

Make sure you review ALL the dgroup guidelines in the first few meetings. The more they see them, the better your group will get at self-correcting. After a few weeks, we will switch to a weekly spotlight highlighting different guidelines and communicating them each week.

PHILIPPIANS 1:1-11

- How does Paul describe his relationship with the Philippians in verses 3–8, and what does he mean by their “partnership in the gospel”?
- In verses 9–11, what specific qualities does Paul pray will overflow in the Philippians’ lives, and what is the ultimate goal of that growth?
- When you reflect on verse 6, how does knowing that God promises to complete the good work He started in you change your perspective on your current struggles or failures? ***Ask to elaborate and share an example.***
- Do you experience the same affection and joy for your Christian community that Paul expresses for the Philippians, or do you tend to view fellowship more transactionally (what do I get from this)? ***Ask them to explain these further: “Why do you think you do that?” or “Could you share a little about how that behavior expresses itself?”***
- What is one concrete step you can take this week to actively partner with someone else in spreading or supporting the gospel?
- Using Paul’s prayer in verses 9–11 as a model, pray for your group’s discernment to partner with a ministry in Rock Hill and for the people you will serve.

WEEK ONE • FOR AUGUST 30 SERMON