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Philippians 2:1-11

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Philippians 2:10-11

a. We praise and give thanks to God.

For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 4:15

b. We overflow with joy.

So that I may come to you with joy, by God's will, and in your company be refreshed.

Romans 15:32

2. We Serve Better Together.

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Philippians 2:7

a. We discover and use our gifts.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

1 Peter 4:10

b. We encourage each other to keep going.

But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

Hebrews 3:13

3. We Grow Better Together.

Then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.

Philippians 2:2

a. We become more like Jesus.

So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

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b. We love deeply and grow in unity.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

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