

Fellowship!

Philippians 1:3 and 5 *"I thank my God ... for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now.* This word 'fellowship' is a powerful word with the idea of cooperation, partnership or a common sharing together. Everyone fellowships with something or someone. What you jointly participate in, will determine your outcome! Whatever or whomever you fellowship with determines what will be working inside of you! Fellowship begins something in our hearts. Paul this in verse 6,

"He who began a good work in you will complete it."

It is God Himself which placed this 'fellowship' inside of you. When His Word comes alive in you, new relationships come alive as well! The family of God is ever-growing! And you find yourself surrounded by others with this same 'working' deep inside of them. Paul continues in chapter 2,

"For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure."

God is at work in us when we fellowship, when we are actively involved with Him. It is this active involvement with Jesus Christ and His Church, it is this fellowship in the Spirit that releases His "good pleasure" to be at work in you! What are you actively participating in? I know many "believers" who are not in fellowship with anyone or anything. They proclaim that they love Jesus Christ but live isolated and insulated from others. We severely hinder the working of the Spirit when we live like this. Insulation is not fellowship. If your fellowship is genuinely in the gospel you will experience a genuine connection with the Body of Christ.

The working of God is designed to flow freely through our fellowship! Why not take a moment to assess what you are actively participating in? Are you involved with God's heart and dream? Do you actively fellowship with Him in prayer? Do you seek out His Body? Let God flow freely through you today! Let it be pure and let the river flow! This wonderful fellowship should not be hidden or kept to oneself. Let's give it away!

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