

Discerning Love

Tim with P in Rome and had been at Phil 2:19. Servants, not apost. Bishops and deacons=elder, Tit 1:5,7=bishops. Prayer of thanksgiving, 3-8. Bec he remembered

1. their fellowship. Money gifts so gospel could go to Greece, 4:16; 1Th 2:9. Acts 2:42.
2. ~~Conf~~ Confidence in God's completing sal. 6. complete=epiteleo. till day X intervenes (rapt) like day of Lord is when He intervenes.
3. Partnership in his imprisonmt and defense, 7-8. apologia=defense and proof of the case ag P. They supported P even when to their knowledge he was not "producing." Both v8 I have you or (and) you have me in your heart.

Prayer for discerning love, 9-11.

Love. Rom 5:8; Jn 13:34; Mk 12:31. Can damage if let go like swamp. Can do nothing if dammed up. Gret force if channeled. Abound, periseuo. Lk 15:17.

A. The banks that channel Xn love, 9.

1. Full knowledge. Eph 1:17 facts about Him and sal. Col.1:9 of His will. Use of facts.
2. Judgmt or discernment. Only here tho similar in Heb 5:14. ^(senses) Discern good--Barnabas, Acts 9:26-7 re P. 11:22-23 Antioch 15:37-39 re Jn Mark pract
Discern evil-Gal 2:11 P vs Peter, wrong doct and 1 Cor 5, little leaven.

Diakrino Heb 5:14 and anakrino 1 Cor 2:15.

B. The results of discerning love, 10-11

1. Test the best for yourself. By discernmt
2. Sincere. Unadulterated. Sun can't detect pollution. straightness of purpose. Unmixed. without stumbling others.=1Cor 10:32. =Sanc bec of justif
3. Fruit that results from justified (rtes) state OR fruit that consists in right conduct. Almost=
To glory (manifestatn) and praise (esteem) of God.

Concl. Day of X. Assured we'll be in heaven, 6, but need to go with fruit, 10.