

PHILIPPIANS

FAITHFULNESS & JOY THROUGH DIFFICULTY



KANSAS STATE MOTTO:
AD ASTRA PER ASPERA (LATIN) =
“TO THE STARS THROUGH DIFFICULTY”

PHILIPPIANS 2:15-16 ESV

“THAT YOU MAY BE BLAMELESS AND INNOCENT, CHILDREN OF GOD WITHOUT BLEMISH IN THE MIDST OF A CROOKED AND TWISTED GENERATION, AMONG WHOM YOU SHINE AS LIGHTS(STARS) IN THE WORLD, HOLDING FAST TO THE WORD OF LIFE, SO THAT IN THE DAY OF CHRIST I MAY BE PROUD THAT I DID NOT RUN IN VAIN OR LABOR IN VAIN.”



PHILIPPIANS 2:15-30



MAIN IDEA:

**GODLY FRIENDSHIPS REQUIRE A PAYMENT
OF SACRIFICE TOWARDS ONE ANOTHER**

**WHO & WHAT WOULD YOU GIVE
UP YOUR LIFE FOR?**



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- **#2 POUR OUT YOUR LIFE FOR OTHERS: VS. 17**



ARE YOU “POURING OUT” YOUR LIFE FOR OTHERS AND THE GOSPEL OF JESUS?

- NUMBER 28:7-8
- IT WAS A SYMBOLIC ACT OF WORSHIP INVOLVING THE POURING OUT OF WINE OR OTHER LIQUIDS AS AN EXPRESSION OF DEVOTION AND DEDICATION TO GOD. IT WAS TYPICALLY PRESENTED ALONGSIDE OTHER SACRIFICES LIKE BURNT OFFERINGS AND GRAIN OFFERINGS. THE DRINK OFFERING SIGNIFIED THE WORSHIPER'S COMPLETE SURRENDER AND JOY IN OFFERING THEMSELVES TO GOD.

