



**In Good Company**  
**A Study in Philippians**  
**Philippians 1:27-2:11**

**Key Idea:** i run in good company means I don't run alone.

*4 Negative Influencers*

- *Naysayer Ned = No Value for the Race*
- *Premadonna Patty = No Value for any Race*
- *Bitter Bob = Burned during the Race*
- *Whatever Willie = No Perspective on the Race*

1. i run in the company of sufferers (1:27-30).

Suffering for the gospel is a witness.

Suffering for the gospel is an honor.

2. i run in the company of the selfless (2:1-4).

The blessing of faith is unity.

The blessing of faith is humility.

3. i run in the company of the Savior (2:5-11).

The journey of humility leads to the cross.

The journey of humility leads to God's favor.

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# REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

1. This week we pause to acknowledge the death and resurrection of Jesus. What are some ways you can focus on His sacrifice for us?

2. Have you ever been in a situation to "suffer" for your beliefs? What was the result of that experience? Why does Paul feel that suffering for Jesus is a gift? (see Phil 1:29-30)

3. Study Phil 2:1-4. Why does our faith in Christ drive us to live a life of unity and humility? What obstacles do you face in living for others?

4. Why is the incarnation of Jesus so amazing? (see Phil 2:5-8) What are some specific ways that you can sacrifice like Jesus did?

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**Memory Verse**

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus  
Philippians 2:5