

THE CLIMB: WHAT WE WILL NEED

1. Full immersion in the gospel story.
"...your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."
2. Long view of the journey.
"...he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."
3. Companions.
"To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi..."
4. People praying for us.
"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you..."
5. A desire for the fruit of right living.
"And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness..."

SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

The Magnificent Story by James Bryan Smith
The Pilgrims Progress by John Bunyan

MY TAKEAWAY:

Answer: C

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SETTING OUT

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Philippians 1:1-11

WHAT WE WILL NOTICE

BACKGROUND TO THE LETTER

PHILIPPIANS READING QUIZ

Don't look at your Bible! Did you read this morning's passage before you came? Try your hand at this one-question quiz (answer on the back).

In 1:1-11, Paul tells the Philippians what his prayer is for them. Is it:

- A. That they would think like Christ.
- B. That they would pray instead of worrying.
- C. That their love would abound (and so be more fruitful at King Jesus' return).
- D. That they would send a pizza (he's in jail, after all).

Read Philippians 1:12-26 for next week (maybe there will be another quiz question!).

TRIVIA // The first ascent of the Matterhorn was by English mountaineer Edward Whymper in 1865. Four members of his climbing party were killed during the descent. Whymper was initially accused of cutting the rope to avoid being pulled down, but was ultimately cleared of wrongdoing.