

PreVail-er: 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting
So that ... you abound in hope and love

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⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. **Philippians 1:9-11 (ESV)**

What is Paul praying for you and your life?

Your _____ may abound more and more Philippians 1:9a

Your _____ may abound more and more
 Philippians 1:9b

Your _____ may abound more and more
 Philippians 1:10a

Why does Paul so earnestly pray for you? So that ...

You will live a _____ life Philippians 1:10b

You will live a _____ life Philippians 1:11a

You will live a life that makes _____
 Philippians 1:11b



WITH OPEN HANDS RECEIVING... WITH OPEN HANDS GIVING...

Worship in Song

*Love Come Down
 All That I Am
 A Mighty Fortress*

Faith Story

Community Life

Offering

Rejoice

Message

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Closing Song

How Deep the Father's Love for Us



PREVAIL-ER

Prevail-er #2
21 Days of Praying and Fasting “SO THAT...”
“...you abound in love”

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Do you remember a time in your youth or young adult years when you longed for someone to give you direction in your life – someone who would help paint a picture of your future? If someone did so, how did they do it? How did it help you move forward?
2. Paul was painting a picture of who we can become in Christ by praying three specific requests for our benefit. Someone read Philippians 1:9-11 and then answer the questions that follow.
And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment,¹⁰ so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.
 - a. What practical picture comes to mind when Paul prays that we abound in love?
 - b. Paul prays that we increase our knowledge of God – to what effect?
 - c. What is the difference between discernment and knowledge when it comes to daily decision making?
3. Read verses 10-11 again. Paul is praying this picture of who we can become SO THAT...
 - a. Identify the results he’s hoping for us to experience?
 - b. Choose one of these results and share how this is or has come to fruition in your own personal faith journey.
4. To glorify God is to make God look good or to increase His reputation. Brainstorm together and identify one thing you could do this week to advance God’s name or to increase His reputation.
5. Are you participating in the 21 Days of Praying and Fasting? If so, share a thought, an experience or something about the goodness of God that’s come to you in this first week of praying and fasting together.