



## A Personal Connection

*Ephesians 6:21-22*

### 1. Personal \_\_\_\_\_

As Paul was very concerned for the church and wanted to be informed to their condition, so the church was toward the apostle. Let us be interested not only in the work of a person's life, but also in their life itself.

*I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ~ Philippians 4:10*

### 2. Trusted \_\_\_\_\_

There is a joy in being able to rely upon a trusted companion in Christ. Make it your ambition to strive to be such a friend to your brothers and sisters that you can also be found as a faithful servant.

*By Silvanus, a faithful brother as I regard him, I have written briefly to you, exhorting and declaring that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it. ~ 1 Peter 5:12*

### 3. Reassuring \_\_\_\_\_

Stuck in prison and unable to personally attend to the needs of the church, Paul sends his friend to bear testimony of his condition. But more than that, he sent Tychicus to be a reassuring and encouraging help to the fellowship in Ephesus.

*...that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. ~ Colossians 2:2-3*

**Romans 14:19**

**So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.**



## A Personal Connection Additional Scripture References (And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

### 1 Thessalonians 4:9

*Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another.*

### Genesis 4:9

*Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?"*

### Romans 1:11-12

*For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.*

### 2 Corinthians 11:28

*And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches.*

### Philippians 2:20

*For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare.*

### Colossians 4:7-9

*Tychicus will tell you all about my activities. He is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimus, our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place here.*

### Nehemiah 7:2

*I gave my brother Hanani and Hananiah the governor of the castle charge over Jerusalem, for he was a more faithful and God-fearing man than many.*

### 1 Thessalonians 5:11

*Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.*

### 1 Peter 3:8

*Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.*