

## Sermon Notes: Philippians 4:21-23

**Big Idea:** Greet one another because God's grace has made us family

**Outline:**

The priority of greeting

The purpose of greeting

The practice of greeting

*"Nothing makes us so much one body as the interchange of greetings."* -John Chrysostom

The words 'greet' and 'greetings' occur about 65 times in the New Testament, most of them in Paul's writings.

***We can unsee by our culture what we say with our doctrine.*** So, it's important for us to ask the question: Does the way we treat each other reflect Gospel realities?

*"Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God's grace."* -Jerry Bridges

*"The only person who is truly free is the one who no longer needs to prove himself or herself."* -Sinclair Ferguson

*"You never know what someone is carrying when they walk through the church doors. A simple greeting may be far more significant than you realize."* -Alistair Begg