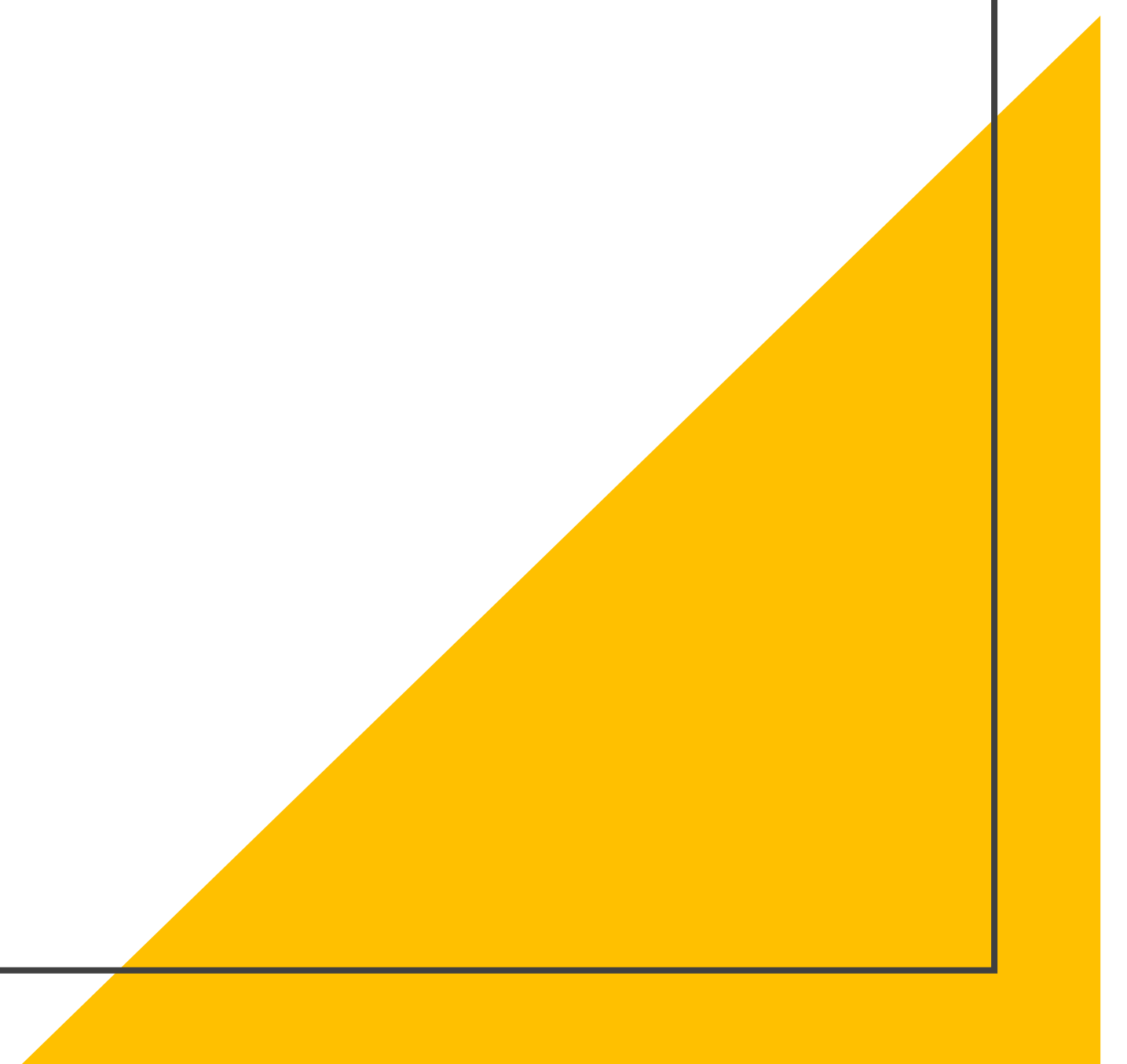


Partners in the Gospel

Philippians 1:1-11



Paul's Aim v11

- That we might:-
- Be able to discern what is best
- Live pure and blameless lives
- Be filled with the fruit of righteousness

Key things to remember

- Partners in the gospel v5
- God will complete the work v6
- We are not finished yet so we should press on 2:12, 3:12
- Seeking to be the best we can be for Jesus

The Key thing we should focus on

- Abounding more and more in love v9
- Love with knowledge and depth of insight
- Why?
- Jesus said this is how people will know
John 13v34-35
- Paul said without love everything is
nullified 1Cor13v1-3
- John tells us what love is 1John 4v7-12

We
must go
this way

- We cannot go from A to B and simply have Discernment and Purity dropped onto us.
- We must go via C the way of love.
- That's why in the heart of this letter Paul will have us look at Jesus and his deep love for us.
2:5-11

Encouragements

- As a new church:-
- Let us pray for and focus on making our love abound.
- Let us seek to be pure and blameless, filled with the fruit of righteousness.
- The rest of the letter will help us to see what is important and what is best.