

Philippians: As Citizens 2

Philippians 1:12-26

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How did God speak to you through Sunday's message on Philippians?

POINT: As Citizens, EMULATE!

1. Read Philippians 1.12-26. Does it surprise you that his chains would make some more bold and that others would try to take advantage of Paul's situation to harm him further? Have you experienced anything similar within the family of God and how do we change that?

2. What do we learn about Paul's priorities in this passage?

3. Paul says he was "put here" in prison (v26). Does that remind you of Joseph? What does it tell us about where we are right now?

What are some of the "advances" of the good news that Paul itemizes? Are you able to see some advances in your circumstances and outcomes that illumine your faithfulness in the midst of hardships?

4. Read v19, Why did Paul refer to the Holy Spirit as the "Spirit of Jesus Christ"? Why would Paul need the help of the Spirit of Christ in his current situation?

Do Paul's words bring you any insight or comfort when it comes to facing current disruptions and hardships because of the Coronavirus?

5. Read v20-21. What do you think it would look like for Paul to honor Christ in life? In death? What does he mean by, "to live is Christ, to die is gain?"

How does the resolve of Paul and his words speak to you today?