

Philippians: A Lighthouse of Joy in an Ocean of Grief

Conduct Motivating Unity

Philippians 1:27-2:4
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3 Questions for Investigation	<u>Supporting</u>
 How can living out a right priority of citizenship help us to stand firm for the faith of the gospel? As Paul observes the community of faith from afar, what quality is he hoping to see or hear about that will complete his joy? Called together as a diverse community of believers, in what practical ways can we make unity a reality in our faith community? 	<u>Scripture</u> Phil.1
Live as Heaven's citizens on Earth (27-28)	
Full of belief, prepared to suffer (29-30) Q1: (cont.)	Heb. 2:10
Unified in mind and spirit (2:1-2) Q2:	
Humble and considerate of others (3-4) Q3:	
Thoughtful applications for my personal and corporate life	
Next Week: Attitudes that Shine (Phil. 2:5-18)	
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	lext Steps: Home Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide	
Get to	ogether as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!	Supporting Scripture Phil. 1
Sta	art with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.	Heb. 2:10
Read	the Text -Philippians 1:27-2:4	
	ions for Reflection & Discussion: In verses 27-28 of chapter 1, Paul is encouraging the people of Philippi to live a life worthy of the gospel of Christ. What does Paul say this type of life will entail? (vss.27-30).	
2.	What might it look like to suffer for Christ in today's context? How was Paul suffering for Christ? What was his example in his suffering? How did he view and treat his opponents?	
3.	As the Church suffers for the cause of Christ, Paul prioritizes Christian love and unity. Look at chapter 2, verses 1-2 together and identify what attitudes and behaviors Paul is encouraging the Christian faith community to adopt.	<u>Prayer</u> <u>Requests</u> Family
4.	Now observing chapter 2, verse 3, what is one practical way that Paul says the Christian faith community can achieve this love and unity of mind and purpose?	ŕ
5.	Moving forward into verse 4, what are some practical ways that we might practice a concern for the interests of others? Give testimony of how this looks in your life.	Church
	ions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:	Community
1.	How does this text challenge us to grow in a greater love for God?	2 2
2.	How are we motivated to grow in a greater love for others?	
3.	How might Jesus be motivating us to apply some of the principles from this passage to our families, careers, communities, or churches?	Career/Friends
4.	How might Jesus be using us to draw those that do not know him, unto himself?	Other
5.	How can we pray for each other between now and next time?	