

Philippians: A Lighthouse of Joy in an Ocean of Grief

## Hope in Suffering

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Next Week: Conduct Motivating Unity (Phil. 1:27-2:4)

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N	ext Steps: Home Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide	
Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!		Supporting Scripture Acts 24-28
Sta	rt with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.	
Read t	he Text -Philippians 1:12-26	
Quest	ions for Reflection & Discussion:	
2.	In what ways did Paul's imprisonment actually serve to advance the gospel in Rome? Who was guarding Paul, and in close quarters with Paul that would have been most influenced by Paul's gospel ministry? What were the categories of individuals that Paul identified as taking the reigns in the ministry of preaching Christ? (vss. 15-18) How were these two groups different? What did Paul encourage as our	
3.	response towards them? Share testimony in your group, or personally reflect on a time where the Lord instilled joy within you, especially when facing a difficult season of life.	
	How does Paul set about describing the deliverance he is anticipating? What does deliverance in life look like? How about deliverance in death? Why is Paul torn? (vss. 19-24). What are some ways that Paul is actively honoring Christ and glorifying God through his imprisonment? How does he anticipate the people will respond and grow through his adversity? When finally	<u>Prayer</u> <u>Requests</u> Family
	delivered, who is he asking the people of Philippi to glory in? (vss. 25-26)	Church
Quest	ions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:	
1.	How does this text challenge us to grow in a greater love for God?	
2.	How are we motivated to grow in a greater love for others?	Community
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?	
5.	How can we pray for each other between now and next time?	Other
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