

GOSPEL CENTERED LIFESTYLE

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progress in the faith creates a gospel-centered lifestyle

Philippians 1:12-30

Encouragement from Paul's Present Circumstances

- our <u>response</u> to opposition and hardship can <u>advance</u> the <u>gospel</u> or <u>silence</u> it vv. 12-14
- a gospel-centered lifestyle <u>preaches</u> Christ in every <u>moment</u> and in every <u>circumstance</u>, in every possible <u>way</u> vv. 15-18a

Encouragement from Paul's Vision of the Future

• a gospel-centered lifestyle trades <u>fear</u> for <u>faith</u> — vv. 18b-23

Next Step

• This week I will daily pray for the Holy Spirit's power in trading fear for faith.

Challenge to the Philippian Church

• a gospel-centered life produces <u>steadfastness</u>, <u>partnership</u>, <u>unity</u>, and <u>boldness</u> — vv. 27-28a

Next Step

• This week I will choose gospel-centered responses to opposition and hardship.



Bridge LifeGroups are **currently on summer break**. We will continue to provide questions in abbreviated form each week for personal study and/or discussion for LifeGroups choosing to meet during a portion of the break.

Lesson Aim: To grow in our understanding of the unique flavor of a gospel-centered lifestyle.

1. Looking over your notes and thinking about the message last weekend, which key thought from Pastor Jeff's message spoke to you the most and why?

2. **READ Philippians 1:12-30.** What type of circumstances is Paul in as he writes this letter? What positive insights was he able to find in the midst of this?

3. How do Paul's circumstances compare to your circumstances today?

4. What good for the cause of the Gospel of Jesus Christ can you find in your circumstances today?

5. What might it look like to apply verse 27 in your community in concrete, tangible ways? As an individual? As a family? With friends? As a church?

Daily Devotional Plan

Day 1 – Hebrews 4

Day 2 – Hebrews 5

Day 3 – Hebrews 6

Day 4 – Hebrews 7

Day 5 – Hebrews 8

Day 6 – Hebrews 9

Day 7 – Hebrews 10