

# "Life on Mission"

Philippians 1  
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## I. A believer who lives life on mission knows who they are in Christ! V1-2

A. Paul and Timothy knew who they were in Christ!

*"and in Christ, you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority."  
Colossians 2:10*

B. It defined Their Mission!

## II. A believer who lives on mission longs for others to have the same joy and peace that they have found in Christ. They desire to see others grow in their faith!! V3-11

A. Paul's heart for the church in Philippi is that they would find the same peace and knowledge that Timothy and he had!

B. It came out of a strong love and gratitude for them!

C. Paul counted them as being equals and co-laborers in grace!

D. He would continually pray for their righteousness and spiritual growth!

## III. For a believer who is living on mission every hardship they face is used for the advancement of the Gospel! V 12-20

*"Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny"- C.S. Lewis*

A. Those that imprisoned Paul came to hear the Gospel!

B. Other believers were empowered through Paul's suffering!

C. Paul's only concern was the advancement of the Gospel!

## IV. To the Believer living on mission everything is counted as loss compared to knowing Christ! V 21-30

A. To Paul there was greater joy than serving Christ even if it meant losing his life!

B. While he desired to be with the Lord, He knew He had work to be done!

C. Paul encourages the church and us that it is a blessing to endure hardships for Christ!

### Closing Questions

- 1.) Do you know who you are in Christ?
- 2.) Do you long for others to come to know Christ and grow in their love for Him?
- 3.) Are you willing to forsake everything for the sake of the Gospel even if it means enduring suffering?

### Weekly Challenge

- 1.) This week ask God to show you who you are in Him. Write a list of what defines you as a result of your relationship with him.
- 2.) Read Philippians 2 in preparation for next week.
- 3.) Dedicate 3 people in your life that you will pray for, invest time into, and invite to join you at church!