

Philippians 1:18b-26

The Magnification of Christ

- I. Paul's conviction (vv. 18-20)
 - A. His rejoicing (v. 18b)
 - B. His confidence (v. 19)
 1. The "what" of his confidence (v. 19a)
 - *"this shall turn to my salvation"*
 2. The "how" of his confidence (v. 19b)
 - a. Prayer
 - b. The Spirit
 - C. His anticipation (v. 20)
 1. The "what" of his anticipation
 - a. Stated negatively
 - *"in nothing I shall be ashamed"*
 - b. Stated positively
 - *"Christ shall be magnified"*
 2. The "how" of his anticipation
 - a. Courageously
 - b. Continually
 - c. Practically
 - d. Consequentially (two options)
- II. Paul's contemplation (vv. 21-24)
 - A. The two options stated (v. 21)
 1. To live – Christ
 2. To die – gain
 - B. The two options explored (vv. 22-24)
 1. Option 1 explored (v. 22a)
 2. The conundrum (vv. 22b-23a)
 3. Option 2 explored (v. 23b)
 4. Option 1 explained (v. 24)
- III. Paul's conclusion (vv. 25-26)
 - A. The "what" of his conclusion (v. 25a)
 - *"I shall abide and continue with you all"*
 - B. The "why" of his conclusion (v. 25b)
 - C. The result of his conclusion (v. 26)