LIVE YOUR LIFE IN A MANNER THAT IS WOORDAN PHILIPPIANS 1: 27 - 30

SUFFER WITH NOBILITY

BE WORTHY

WORTHY Philippians 1:27-30

²⁷ Just one thing: As citizens of Heaven, live your life worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or am absent, I will hear about you that you are standing firm in one spirit, in one accord, contending together for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ not being frightened in any way by your opponents. This is a sign of destruction for them, but of your salvation—and this is from God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you on Christ's behalf not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for Him, ³⁰ since you are engaged in the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I have.

CITIZENS OF HEAVEN

CALLED TO STAND FIRM

BE UNITED

FOR THOUGHT & TALK

In your small group take 5-10 minutes to review the main points of this week's message. Discuss the following questions, taking your time as the Spirit leads, realizing you don't have to cover them all.

1. What does it mean to be a citizen of Heaven? How does that differ from being a citizen of America? Where do the two overlap?

2. How do we stand firm in the face of tough opposition? What does it practically look like to give ground? What are the risks if we concede some of the truths we find in Scripture?

3. What has kept the church from being united? What concessions should we make in order to achieve unity? Where is it important to not concede anything? What is power in presenting a united front?

4. What does it look like to "suffer with nobility"? How can we find contentment in the midst of trials and hardships? How might suffering be a gift from God?

5. Why is it so important that we strive to become worthy of the Gospel? What are the consequences of failing to do so? How do we personally benefit from living in a manner worthy of the Gospel? How do our friends and family benefit? What about our church and community?