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Jesus has not come to make you happy but to make you holy.

What is at the center of your life?

See the gospel work in your present circumstances.

Paul views his situation in light of the gospel.

Paul views EVERY situation in light of the gospel.

Expect the gospel to work in all circumstances.

Your goal in life:

Faithfulness. Faithfulness **to** the God who called you and faithfulness **in** the places He's called you to.

Watch for opportunities to share and live out the gospel.

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- What might it look like for someone to have Jesus as a part of their life but not the center?
- What does it look like for someone to have Jesus at the center of their life?
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- Read Luke 9:23-24. Describe what it might be like to "take up a cross." What feelings emotions would you feel? What does it mean to deny yourself? How is this different from what some might expect from Christianity?
- What does your life look like when you forget that "the King currently rules?"
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