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TALK ABOUT IT



# PHILIPPIANS

A LETTER FROM LOCKDOWN

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## TEACHING OVERVIEW

Pastor Ken kicked off a new teaching series on the book of Philippians. Over the next month we will look at what Paul shared with the church of Philippi and how it applies to us today. This week we looked at Chapter 1 and how Paul could be so encouraged and encouraging while in prison.

## Encouragement

Have you ever read the book of Philippians? What do you know about the book and its author Paul?

## Scripture & Discussion

Read: Philippians 1

### Discuss

1. What does Paul share is the result of his imprisonment in verses 12-14?
2. Pastor Ken said, "God's purpose does not change with our circumstances." How has God used a challenging situation in your life for a greater purpose? Was spiritual fruit being produced and the name of Jesus proclaimed?
3. To conclude the chapter (verses 27-30) Paul strongly encourages the church to live worthy of the Gospel. What can we do to "conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ?"

4. Paul was at a place where he feared nothing because he had nothing to lose. Why do you think this is? Have you ever experienced this? If not, what is keeping you from experiencing this?

5. Read Romans 6:6-9. The reason Paul lived this way is because he no longer belonged to himself. His wants and desires were no longer his own but Christ's. How did Paul do this? Is this something you have in common with Paul? What can we do to grow in this?

## Prayer

Pray as a group that you all can be encouraged this week by the words in Philippians 1 and that you can frame your perspective to be similar to that of Paul's.

Pray the prayer that Pastor Ken shared this past weekend, "Lord help me identify anything I like and want more than you... Help me to seek you above all, in all, and to share you with all... you are my God."

## Next Steps

Read Acts 16 (the start of the church in Philippi) and Philippians 1 this week.

If you feel led, pray that prayer that Pastor Ken shared.