

Finding Joy: Long for Christ to be proclaimed Philippians 1:12-18a

¹²Now

I want you to know,
brethren,

that my circumstances have turned out
for the greater progress
of the gospel,

¹³so that

my imprisonment

| in *the cause of Christ*
has become well known

throughout the whole praetorian guard
and
to everyone else,

¹⁴and that

most of the brethren,

| trusting in the Lord
because of
my imprisonment,
have far more courage
to speak the word of God
without fear.

¹⁵Some, to be sure, are preaching Christ

even from envy
and
strife,

but
some

also from good will;

¹⁶the latter *do it*

out of love,
knowing that I am appointed
for the defense
of the gospel;

¹⁷the former proclaim Christ

out of selfish ambition -
rather than from pure motives,
thinking to cause me distress
in my imprisonment.

¹⁸What then?

Only that

in every way,
whether in pretense
or
in truth,

Christ is proclaimed;
and in this **I rejoice**.