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Sermon Notes

Live as Citizens of Heaven

Philippians 1:27-30

Paul reminds us that above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in the manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Is this the life you live as a believer?

1. Do you have a commitment to repairing disunity? Are you seeking to stand together in one mind and one purpose? Do you make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit? Where does reconciliation begin for you? What grudge or bitterness do you need to surrender?

2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 12:16-18, Psalm 133:1, Ephesians 4:2-3

2. Above all else, are you adamant for the gospel of Jesus Christ? Are you fighting together for the faith which is the Good News? Is the gospel what is most important to you? Over anything else? Where do you need to shift your priorities?

Romans 1:16, 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

3. Are you bold in the face of Opposition? How Bold are you for the Gospel?

1 Peter 4:14, Acts 9:16, 1 Thessalonians 2:2, 2 Timothy 4:2, Acts 4:29-31

4. Do you share in the privilege of suffering? Do you suffer for the sake of Christ? Does your privilege to suffer give evidence of your privilege of trusting in Christ?

2 Timothy 3:12, Philippians 3:10, Romans 5:3-5, Mark 8:31, Acts 5:41

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²⁷ Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News. ²⁸ Don't be intimidated in any way by your enemies. This will be a sign to them that they are going to be destroyed, but that you are going to be saved, even by God himself. ²⁹ For you have been given not only the privilege of trusting in Christ but also the privilege of suffering for him. ³⁰ We are in this struggle together. You have seen my struggle in the past, and you know that I am still in the midst of it.