



# THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

## events

**Aloha!** Thank you for joining us this morning. If you would like to know us better, please visit the welcome table.

**Nursery and Kids' Church** are available. Parents, please sign-in your children at the nursery.

**Operation Christmas Child** boxes are due today.

**Let's play pickleball!** Thursday evening, Nov 17, 5:30 to 7 pm in the Pavilion.

**Medicare help?** See Nate.

The **Office will be closed** for Thanksgiving Nov 24 and 25.

### Ways to Give:

- Online on our website or app
- Giving box on Sundays
- Mail a check to the church

### Budget Snapshot Jan thru Oct

- Budgeted - \$283,333
- Actual Giving - \$279,623

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**Paul Kreitzer**  
**Philippians 1:12-18**

**Big Idea:** No matter what the circumstances, the most important thing is that Christ and the Gospel are advanced.

- The trial of imprisonment (1:12-14)
  
- The trial of fellow-workers (1:15-18)

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## GRACE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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### What does it mean?

1. How had Paul's circumstances served to advance the Gospel?
2. Paul's desire was to honor Christ and promote the Gospel. How did Paul demonstrate this commitment to Christ and the Gospel?
3. How was God's plan for the advancement of the Gospel being accomplished in spite of Paul's imprisonment?
4. How did Paul's ministry while in house arrest affect the other believers in v.14?
5. How did those who were preaching the Gospel out of envy and rivalry affect Paul?
6. What idea is Paul trying to convey in v. 18?
7. What does envy and rivalry do to other Christians and the witness of the Church?

### How does it apply?

1. How has envy and rivalry affected the church in our country? What affect has it had on our witness to unbelievers?
2. Paul was not a prisoner of Rome; he was the "prisoner of Jesus Christ (Eph 3:1, 4:1). The soldiers chained to his wrists were not guards; they were souls for whom Christ died. Paul had a "captive audience", and from 1:13 and 4:22, we conclude that he won some of them for Christ. How did Paul turn his circumstances into an opportunity for rejoicing? How can we turn our circumstances into opportunities to magnify Christ and win souls?