

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS:

Icebreaker: Do you tend to see the glass half-empty or half-full? Explain.

Have everyone spend time reading **Philippians 1:12-18** quietly to themselves. After a few minutes, either have one person read the passage for the group or have each person take turns reading a portion until the entire passage has been read.

Sermon Observation Questions:

1. Was there anything from this past week's sermon that stood out to you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that confused you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that invoked an emotion? If so, what was it?
2. Observations about this passage: Who was the audience or the characters? What does this passage tell us about sinful man? What do we learn about God or Jesus from reading this passage, and how does that impact the way we love people and love God?
3. What questions arise from reading this passage? Is there anything from this passage that sticks out to you personally? If so, what?

Life Application Questions:

1. Paul found himself locked down in prison but with insurmountable joy. What difficult circumstance are you dealing with currently, and what's your attitude towards the situation?
2. The Apostle Paul was confident that his suffering would advance the gospel; how has God used your own suffering to advance His Kingdom or how might He use your current hardship to do the same?
3. When we find ourselves in a dark situation that appears hopeless on the surface level, what can we do to have a right attitude that points towards heaven? As a disciple-maker, how can we help others who are immature in the faith to be strong in Christ even in difficulties?
4. **Next Steps:** Who is someone you know who you need to connect with as a way to encourage them through a hard time?

Philippians 1:1-18a
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