

Joy Beyond Circumstances: Magnifying Christ

Philippians 1:12-26

Discussion Questions

Key Texts: Philippians 1:12-26, 3:12; John 3:30;

The Essentials

- 1) How did Paul's imprisonment advance the gospel?
- 2) Has there been a trial or hardship in your life that God used to advance the gospel?
- 3) Are the believers Paul describes in verses 15-18 preaching the gospel?
- 4) How might a competitive spirit creep in and take over our Christian ministries?
- 5) Can you think of any examples (in your life or in others) where magnifying Christ meant minimizing self?

Going Deeper

- 6) If you could create some kind of defining 'life statement', some principle which you live your life by, what would it be? What would be Paul's?
- 7) What might help us to magnify Christ and not ourselves?

Memory Verse: "I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." Philippians 1:20-21

Prayer Point: Please pray for the upcoming ministry fair on 21/09.