

CONNECTION GROUP HOMEWORK

April 26, 2020

Philippians 1:12-18

GETTING STARTED:

1. Would you say you are an introvert or an extrovert? How has that affected the way you've responded to being quarantined?

THE MESSAGE:

2. Reread Philippians 1:12-18. Paul finds himself on "house arrest", chained to a member of the imperial guard. What does Paul indicate has happened because of his circumstances (verse 12-13)?

3. What was the effect of Paul's arrest on the other Christians in Philippi (v. 14)? Why did they react that way?

4. In Philippians 1:15-17, Paul says that some are preaching out of love and good will, but not everyone. What negative motivations drive some of those who proclaim Christ? What is Paul's response to that?

5. What is Paul's prevailing attitude in these verses?

6. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

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7. Read 1 Peter 1:6-7. Compare Peter's attitude here with Paul's as he writes to the church in Philippi. What are the similarities? What is different?

MY LIFE:

8. Mike explained that often our suffering, tragedy and loss will open doors for the gospel in ways that would not happen otherwise. Have you seen this happen in your own life?

9. Is it time for a change in perspective? Do you need to begin seeing this as a time to advance the Gospel? How can you do that right now?

10. Mike asked the question - *to whom are you chained?* Who is that person (people) and has your example in this season drawn them to be closer to Jesus or has it possibly driven them away from Jesus?

11. How can we pray for you in this season? Who will YOU be praying for in this season?
