

## PHILIPPIANS: LESSON 2

### I. PAULS' ENOURAGEMENT TO THE SAINTS BY EXAMPLE AND APPEAL (1:12-30)

- A. The Gospel has made progress in Rome (1:12-18).
  - 1. Progress through Paul's imprisonment (v.12-14)
    - a. Bonds manifest in Christ
    - b. Most of brethren bold to speak
  - 2. Rejoicing that Christ is proclaimed even though some do it insincerely (v. 15-18)
- B. Paul's Hopes (1:19-26)
  - 1. Deliverance through brethren's prayer and the supply of the Spirit (v. 19)
  - 2. Not to be put to shame (v. 20).
  - 3. Magnify Christ in life or death (v. 21-23)
  - 4. Confident of remaining with brethren (v. 24-26)
- C. Paul exhorts brethren to a worthy manner of life (1:27-30).
  - 1. Stand fast in one spirit (v. 27)
  - 2. Strive for the faith of the gospel (v. 27)
  - 3. Be not frightened by adversaries if called upon to suffer for Christ (v.28-30)

### QUESTIONS:

1. In what TWO areas had the gospel made progress while Paul was imprisoned?
2. What does Paul's example teach us about being controlled by circumstances?
3. Why were some preaching Christ with envy and strife?
4. Paul said some were preaching Christ with "\_\_\_\_\_, knowing that I am \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel".
5. The ones preaching Christ in "*pretense*" were preaching: (a) doctrinal error  
(b) truth with impure motives.
6. Did Paul believe that prayer is more than a spiritual exercise?

7. Why did Paul know confidently, regardless of what happened to him, he would not be put to shame?
8. “For to me to live is \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.”
9. Show how verses 20-21 do not fit the doctrines of “soul-sleep” and “annihilation”.
10. What are some good reasons for Paul remaining on earth and united with his brethren?
11. What does Paul say about the gospel that manifests it as a noble standard?
12. In what should we all be united?
13. What was an evident token of perdition and salvation at the same time?