

Worthy of the Gospel

Philippians 1:27-30

Taking it Home:

1. As you consider your own conduct, in which areas are you encouraged by its consistency with the gospel? Are there areas in which you are being challenged to change your conduct?

Prayer Concerns:

This one thing

“Exercise your _____ *worthily of the gospel of Christ.*”

1. Choose _____
2. Stand for _____
3. Act in _____

Helps:

1. The Power of the _____
2. Encouragement in the _____
3. Confidence in _____

Even in the midst of suffering:

From living in a _____

From following _____

For the joy set before us

Living in a manner worthy of the gospel:

1. Nurtures others to _____
2. Strengthens our _____
3. Brings glory to _____

Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

1. What has been the longest distance you've ever run? What helped you finish?

Digging Deeper:

Read Philippians 1:1-11

1. What does it mean to live as a citizen of the kingdom, not just a citizen of your country?
2. What is Paul's purpose in encouraging the believers to conduct their lives in a manner worthy of the gospel? Why is it so important for a Christian's life to match up with the gospel?
3. What would be some examples of attitudes, actions, and behavior that does or does not match up with the gospel? In which area do you need to grow most: obedience to Christ, standing for truth, loving people? What might this look like in your life?
4. Read Philippians 1:29, 3:10, Hebrews 12:2, 2 Timothy 3:12, and Acts 5:41. What is the biblical view of suffering?
5. John Calvin said, "Oh, if this conviction were fixed in our minds, that persecutions are to be reckoned among God's benefits, what progress would be made in the doctrine of godliness!" Discuss this statement. How would progress be made in godliness if we viewed suffering with a heavenly perspective?
6. Paul challenged the Philippians to strive "together for the faith of the gospel." How are you helping one another do this in your Growth Group?