

Living In Christ (1:12-26)

Questions: Week Two

**Please Note: Scripture divisions used in our series and the resource we use for questions differ from each other.

Paul's Chains Advance the Gospel - Philippians 1:12-30¹

Topics: <u>Believers</u>, <u>Circumstances</u>, <u>Courage</u>, <u>Death</u>, <u>Faith</u>, <u>Gospel</u>, <u>Holy Spirit</u>, <u>Jesus</u> <u>Christ</u>, <u>Joy</u>, <u>Life</u>, <u>Motives</u>, <u>Prayer</u>, <u>Reputation</u>, <u>Salvation</u>, <u>Suffering</u>

Open It

- 1. How interested are you in the lives of famous people?
- 2. *How often do you watch TV shows or read articles about celebrities?

Explore It

- 3. How was Paul's ministry affected by his bondage? (1:12-14)
- 4. *Why was Paul being talked about? (1:13)
- 5. How did Paul's incarceration affect the testimony of others? (1:14)
- 6. Why did some people preach Christ out of envy and rivalry? (1:15-17)
- 7. Why did some people preach Christ in love? (1:15-16)
- 8. *What made Paul rejoice? (1:18)
- 9. Why did Paul expect to be delivered from his predicament? (1:19)
- 10. How did Paul expect to be delivered? $(\underline{1:19-20})$
- 11. What was Paul's main purpose in living? (1:21)
- 12. *What were Paul's convictions about living and dying? (1:22-24)
- 13. Why did Paul think he would remain alive? (1:24-26)
- 14. What did Paul want the believers to do? $(\underline{1:27-30})$
- 15. How did Paul tell the Philippians to face opposition? (1:27-30)
- 16. How did Paul encourage the Christians at Philippi? $(\underline{1:29})$

^{1.} Adult Questions for LESSONMaker, (Austin, TX: Wordsearch, 1992), WORDsearch CROSS e-book, Under: "Paul's Chains Advance the Gospel - Philippians 1:12-30".

Get It

- 17. *How did Paul's notoriety work to his advantage?
- 18. How would you like the reputation of being a fearless Christian?
- 19. To what degree do you share Paul's passion for the gospel?
- 20. For what do you truly live?
- 21. Whom do you know who is suffering for Christ right now?
- 22. How is your church different from the Philippian church?
- 23. *What's the toughest thing you've had to experience as a Christian?
- 24. What are you willing to risk to have the reputation of being a fearless Christian?
- 25. What about your life-style do you most want to change in your desire to live for Christ?

Apply It

- 26. What step toward dedicating every area of your life to Christ can you take today?
- 27. *What can you do today to encourage someone who is suffering because of his or her faith?