To Live for Christ Philippians 1:15-26

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I. Motives while preaching. *Philippians 1:15-18*

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Paul asked the *Galatians* if they thought they could be right with God, by some work of the ______. *Galatians 3:2-3*

 Paul is not talking about someone who unintentionally makes an error while speaking, he is referring to people who are preaching Christ from false ______.

Paul had a ______ goal and that was to get the message of Christ preached so, he saw his enemies preaching with wrong motives, as another opportunity for the Gospel to be proclaimed.

II. Paul magnified Christ. Philippians 1:19-20

Paul was not only delivered from prison but he was ultimately delivered to the very ______ room of God!

 "Paul was not depending on his own dwindling resources; he was depending on the ______ resources of God, ministered by the Holy Spirit." (Warren Wiersbe)

Consider this; as followers of Christ, we are to surrender everything to Jesus, including our _____, minds, and souls. *1 Corinthians 6:20*

III. A tough choice. Philippians 1:21-26

"You don't get to decide to worship, everyone worships something. The only choice you get is ______ to worship." (Timothy Keller)

• As Christians, our ______ is shown by the high price that was paid by the Creator God of the universe, who died in our place, to purchase us back from death into life!

When we realize who we are in Christ, we will begin to live as

____ children of God, in a world full of victimized people.

IV. Practical Application.

- When Jesus is your life, your desire is for Him to make the ______ for your life, instead of yourself.
- 2. When Jesus is your life, you are shaped by the words of Jesus, not by the opinion of our fallen ______.
- **3.** When Jesus is your life, and our fallen culture tries to tell you how to live and think, you will hold ______ to the Words of Christ.

- 4. When Jesus is your life, your ______ becomes more abundant in Jesus Christ.
- 5. When Jesus is your life, you will _____ to sin. *Romans 6:1-2*
- 6. When Jesus is your life, you will only have _____ God.
- 7. When Jesus is your life, you use your gifts to _____ God and others.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

- Read Philippians 1:15 and Galatians 3:1-4. Who were the Judaizers and what did they teach? Why is their teaching so dangerous? Galatians 3:10-11, Acts 15:6-10
- Read Philippians 1:16. What are some impure motives for some of the false teachers of our time? James 3:1, 1 Timothy 1:7, 1 Timothy 6:10, 2 Timothy 4:3
- **3.** Read *Philippians* 1:19-20. What are the two things Paul mentions that were responsible for his deliverance? John 15:1-5, 1 Corinthians 6:20, James 4:2-3, Zechariah 4:6
- 4. Read *Philippians* 1:21-26. Discuss what it means to live for Christ. *Who gives the increase to our ministry?*1 Corinthians 3:6-8, Romans 6:8-11, Romans 12:1-2, Colossians 3:23
- Discuss the quote Timothy Keller said, "You don't get to decide to worship, everyone worships something. The only choice you get is what to worship."
 Exodus 20:3, Exodus 34:14, Deuteronomy 6:4, John 4:24, Matthew 6:21, Mark 7:7
- Discuss the seven points to the practical application of the sermon.
 Romans 6:1-6