

KEY TEXT:

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-30



CENTRAL IDEA

A WILLINGNESS TO SUFFER CAN ADVANCE THE GOSPEL.

OPTIONAL VIDEO

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/Series/242923?episode=3>

QUESTIONS

1. What in your life could you genuinely complain about right now?
2. What are some of the obstacles Paul is currently facing? What is his attitude toward these things? What enables him to see things as he does?
3. What do you think is meant by “to live is Christ and to die is gain”? Could you say that? Why or why not?
4. What would it take for you to become capable of not only accepting but rejoicing in suffering?

GOING DEEPER

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/suffering-for-gods-glory-and-your-good/>

NEXT STEPS

How far are you willing to go to help others know Jesus? What are you willing to give up or sacrifice? Personally? As a group?

SHARE

Now that you’ve spent time learning about this part of Philippians, how would you explain the main points of these verses to a friend? If you were going to explain what you learned to a friend, what would you say?