

Philippians: Companions in Grace

Contending as One

[here we go]
Philippians 1.27-30

whatever happens

[big thoughts]

Politenomai

Not paripateo

Steko

Sunathleo

Your salvation

Translation questions

Endeixis

The gospel

Going Deeper—Living it Out

What are your struggles right now in your life?

How do those struggles keep you from living out the Gospel? Why?

What does it look like to live according to the Gospel? How well do we do that?

Why are Paul's instructions to be responded to as a group rather than as individuals?

How does living the gospel together become a sign of our salvation?

How would you define the Gospel? How does your definition of the Gospel shape you?

Why is the Gospel something that we can be united around? What does that look like?

What gets in the way of us living out the Gospel?

[putting it together]

Whatever happens

Together

The grace of suffering

You are the message!

[big questions]

Are you truly living out the gospel?

What gets in the way of you living out the gospel?

How do you need to embrace the idea of contending together?

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Why do you think we are prone to be so individualistic in our faith? What are the consequences of that?

Isn't it actually a contradiction to live out the Gospel individualistically? Explain.

How can suffering be a gift of grace?

What message are you communicating—what Gospel are you living?

MEMORIZE THIS!

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel

-Philippians 1.27 (NIV)