

“Life”
Philippians 1:19-26

Deliverance

Current situation- Prison, nearly blind, cold, sick, chained to a Roman guard, facing execution. ***Jonah 2***

Struggles of living- The difficulties of leadership and nurturing Christianity in the face of persecution. ***2 Corinthians 11:21b-29***

His own inadequacies- The thorn – Physical pain, anxieties, depression, fear, unknown, his own past as Saul. ***2 Corinthians 12:7-10***

Desire

Be with God- To worship God directly in Heaven, to be in His presence with no sorrow or tears. ***2 Corinthians 5:1-10***

Serve God here- To continue the work of the Bondservant. Waiting patiently for the Bondholder to release him.

Christ Glorified- In all that he does and in whatever happens. ***Romans 8:18-25***

God’s Will

5 ways to know God’s will

1. Scripture
2. Prayer
3. Holy Spirit
4. Circumstances
5. Godly People

God Glorified- No matter what happens God will be glorified. He was to watch God’s hand and worship Him in it and through it. ***Isaiah 37:14-20***

Application

Discussion Questions

In what ways can you be bold?

What does “to live is Christ” mean to you?

How can you “abide” in Him?

Homework

Read *Philippians 1:27-30*

Answer the following questions:

1. What does God’s Word say? List the facts.
2. What does God’s Word mean? Learn the lessons.
3. What does God’s Word mean to me? Listen to His voice.
4. How will I respond to God’s Word today? Live it out.

Identify one way that you can “live is Christ” each day and boldly pursue that.