

DISCUSSION GUIDE

FEBRUARY 8/9 | TOGETHER

OUR VIRAL GOSPEL | PHILIPPIANS 1:12-30

FOR STARTERS

1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged you or raised questions?
2. Who was the first person who ever explained the gospel to you? What was surprising about their message? Share your story with the group.

DIGGING IN

1. Read Acts 16:1-40 for some background on Paul and the birth of the Church in Philippi.
2. Read Philippians 1:12-18. What are some of the obstacles Paul and the Philippians Christians were facing? What were some of the reasons the gospel could have been stopped? What is surprising about the gospel here?
3. Read Philippians 1:20-26. Paul was in prison and awaiting trial because of his witness. What is the choice Paul is facing? Why is he torn between the two?
4. Read Philippians 1:27. What are Paul's instructions to the Philippians Christians? Read verses 28-30 and talk about what he means by "conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel."

BRINGING IT HOME

1. Have you ever tried to share the gospel with someone? How did it go? What were the challenges you faced?
2. How does Paul's teaching about our viral gospel challenge or encourage you?
3. How is God calling you to respond to His word when it comes to advancing the gospel message? How can the group encourage you as you take the next step?
4. Close by reading verses 29-30 again. Give thanks to God that He has granted you to be part of the gospel's advance.