

## **GET A LIFE!**

Philippians, #4

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**Text:** Philippians 1:18–26

**Truth Points:** What truth was covered this weekend in the message?

1. The passage starts and ends with joy. What was Paul rejoicing about in this passage? What would the church be rejoicing about in the future? What are lessons we learn about joy?
2. Two things made Paul confident of his deliverance from prison. What are they and why are they important?
3. Philippians 1:21 has an epigrammatic construction. Jera Henry would say it \_\_\_\_\_!  
Give three or more reasons why the Holy Spirit had it recorded in this way.
4. Why is life in Christ transformational (2 Corinthians 5:17), relational (Galatians 2:20), and directional (Philippians 1:21)? Should this have any impact on me?
5. Paul is pushed in two directions. What are they, and why does it matter then and now?
6. Is there gain in death? Consider Psalm 16:11.

**Reflection Points:** How does God want me to think, feel, act, and speak because of this truth?

1. What is my life verse? Why is Philippians 1:21 (For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.) a life verse for so many people? Should it be a life verse for me?
2. Can I honestly say, my life – Jesus? What is my life? What would my family and friends say is my life? What would the Holy Spirit say?
3. Death is the door to being with Jesus. Do I really believe being with Him is much better? How would I know if that is the case or not the case?

**Action Points:** What am I going to do **this week** because of this truth?

1. **Read:** Philippians 1:18–26.
2. **Memorize:** Philippians 1:21 (NASB95,) “For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.”
3. **Reflect** on it every day this week.
4. **Ask** yourself three questions every day this week:
  - Who or what will be my life today?
  - Is Jesus my life?
  - What is better, today’s “stuff” or being with Jesus?
5. **Share** with another follower of Jesus what you are learning about God, the Bible, Jesus, etc. Help them follow Jesus better in 2024.