

Conduct That is Worthy

Philippians 1:27-30

Welcome back and here we go! Today we continue in Philippians and we look at the idea that we can honor those who have poured out into our lives. Each of us have people who have influenced our lives and often we honor them in word. But what about deeds?

Philippians 1:19-26

Paul says, I am gonna stick around to help you. But then he says, *be worthy of my sacrifice*.

- 1) Who is it that makes you want to be a better Christian? Why?

Obviously, this is a part of last week's lesson ----- "To Live Is Christ" ----- but this is all a part of one message ----- one thought process ----- Paul – who had a heavenly encounter.....

II Corinthians 12:1-5

Paul saw heaven. Of course, he is ready to go. It is like, "Hey, you wanna go sit on a beach FOREVER? Perfect weather, perfect food, perfect peace, FOREVER!"

OR, do you want to continue to pour out your life for these people.....

- 2) What compels you to serve?

Paul says I am compelled by Christ and the Gospel, but then he says he has an expectation.....

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- 3) What is conduct that is worthy of the Gospel?

You know conduct that is worthy exemplifies Christ in us. It draws people to you. It does not repel. It exudes a type of purity and truth! Love. It is warm and welcoming. It proves God is working in your life and it leads you to serve others.

Self – serve a ministry of our lives.

- 4) What is conduct not worthy ----- that Christians might fall into?

If three of your closest friends or people that know you wrote a letter to Paul about you, what would it say?

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What would Paul hear about you?

Philippians is a book of JOY ----- but the second theme is *like-minded* or of the same mind.

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5) What does it mean to be *like-minded*?

Here at Face of Grace, *like-minded* means we share the mind of Christ. We grow in His Word and we primarily use the Bible first and Grace Notes second.

In our events we are standing fast in one Spirit. Yet the message also comes with a warning.

Philippians 1:29

6) What does this verse mean to you?

There is a cost to our faith in Christ. We have a worldly opposition. We suffer in our lives. How do you suffer for Christ? It is in this suffering that our conduct can slip. Where do we find the solutions for our worldly problems? Suffering always means loss ----- of something. Jesus granted us the right to suffer the loss of things to find peace in Him.

7) (Personal question) What must you lose in your life to gain peace?

I love you.

Next week: "Like-Minded"