

- Week **2** Questions -

Opening Question: Have you ever done the right thing for the wrong reason?

Read **Philippians 1:12-26** together.

Questions from the text

- How did Paul's attitude about imprisonment differ from what we might expect? What can we learn from this response to suffering?
- How did Paul's view on life and death shape the way he lived?

Cross Reference

- Read **2 Corinthians 11:25-28** together.
  Paul argues that his imprisonment is a "defense of the gospel." With all the other things Paul went through in mind, how does suffering defend the gospel? When have you seen your own suffering defend the gospel?

Application Questions

- Paul's imprisonment emboldened other believers. How can we encourage one another to share the gospel with more boldness?
- Paul acknowledges the power of prayer and the Holy Spirit in his life. How does prayer help shape your perspective on your circumstances?

Core Value: Mission

As we look in Scripture, we see ways we are directed to surrender to Christ, be a part of his biblical community, and participate in his mission.

- Paul's ultimate goal, whether in life or death, is that Christ would be honored in his body. What are ways that can support you in having a similar goal? What are ways that hinder you from living this out?