

Sermon Questions

Philippians 1:27-30

This week we discussed Paul's heart as a pastor for the church in Philippi and wanted them to understand their identity as Kingdom citizens. Being persuaded by the media and current circumstances can deflect what is most important. It can also cloud your relationship to Jesus Christ and what it means to honor Him. As a community, we represent Christ and are His kingdom citizens. With the Gospel as our foundation and Christ at our side, we are called to live for Him regardless of the consequences. Even if it means suffering for Christ, we know this is simply a sign of our salvation and the fact that our opponents are facing certain destruction. May we grow in our understanding of our citizenship and may pastors guide the flock with these convictions.

Please review the sermon notes below...

Your Practice as a Pastor

Philippians 1:27-30

Help believers understand that we...

Represent the King and His kingdom (27)

Unite together in Gospel mission (27b)

Refuse to be intimidated by the signs of the times (28)

Willingly submit to suffering for Christ (29-30)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week, you can [watch it here](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group, now is a great time to get involved. Please go to our [online Small Group platform](#) to get connected with a group that will work for you.

1. What does it mean that we are Kingdom citizens? What does "Kingdom" really mean? How do you personally represent Jesus Christ?
2. What role does the church play in God's kingdom agenda? Why is the church so valuable? How important is it as a kingdom citizen to be a major contributor to a local church?
3. What is the Gospel? How does the Gospel relate to the kingdom of God? How do I know that I am a kingdom citizen?
4. What does it mean to stand firm? What is one spirit? What is one mind? What is the Biblical text teaching us we should be and do as a result of our faith in the Gospel?

5. Why is the Gospel so offensive to people? Is there any way to take away the offense of the Gospel? What happens when the offense is removed? What has happened in our culture as the offense of the Gospel is removed?
6. What is a “sign of destruction”? Why should you be on the lookout for it? When might you expect to see it?
7. Why is a “sign of destruction” ultimately a sign of your salvation? Why would God use this as a sign?
8. Why did Paul suffer? Why do we suffer? Should we look forward to suffering? Should we expect suffering? Why?
9. What was the conflict that Paul was suffering from, and why did the Philippians suffer the same way?
10. When you consider your Kingdom citizenship, what area do you most need to cling to for your identity? Which is the most difficult area to believe? Why?

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