



BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS

WEEK 1 - DAY 3

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-18

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT)

12 And I want you to know, my dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News. **13** For everyone here, including the whole palace guard, knows that I am in chains because of Christ. **14** And because of my imprisonment, most of the believers here have gained confidence and boldly speak God's message without fear.

15 It's true that some are preaching out of jealousy and rivalry. But others preach about Christ with pure motives. **16** They preach because they love me, for they know I have been appointed to defend the Good News. **17** Those others do not have pure motives as they preach about Christ. They preach with selfish ambition, not sincerely, intending to make my chains more painful to me. **18** But that doesn't matter. Whether their motives are false or genuine, the message about Christ is being preached either way, so I rejoice. And I will continue to rejoice.

DAY 3 REFLECTION QUESTIONS FOR VERSES 12-18

1. How does Paul view hardships (vs. 12-14)? What are the results of these hardships?
2. Is it possible to speak the truth, yet possess the wrong heart or motivation (vs. 15-17)?
3. How can we avoid being people who proclaim Christ with the wrong hearts?