

PHILIPPIANS
Imprisoned For Christ
Philippians 1:12-14

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1. God _____ the circumstances of believers for His own gospel glory.

- a. The things that happen to His people are not random but are _____ by God for His glory.
- b. God has ordained that His gospel make _____ in the world and He works through the lives of His people to that end.

“On a human level, one would expect that Paul’s imprisonment would _____ or perhaps even stop the progress of the gospel ... (But) that very imprisonment has become the means by which the gospel advances.” - Matthew Harmon

2. The fact that all believers are _____ Christ is the defining truth in every situation in life.

“These Roman fetters he regarded, not as they were in themselves, degrading and galling, but as they appeared in their relation to Christ’s _____, as worn in His service, and in His fellowship, and for His sake.” - John Hutchison

3. There are even _____ to believers when they are oppressed and persecuted for Christ.

- a. People who would _____ be exposed to the gospel are now able to see and hear what the gospel is.

“The gospel finds its noblest _____ when it is proclaimed by its adherents in their time of trial.” - John Hutchison

- b. Other believers are given the _____ to be more bold for Christ in their own lives.

“When the _____ of speaking for Christ increased beyond their worst nightmares, their boldness increased beyond measure.” - Walter Hansen