

"Hard Places & Hard People" Philippians 1:12-18

Big Idea:

The Gospel is Paul's highest _____, not comfort or popularity.

Paul is encouraging the Philippians believers through his example to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ with sincerity no matter the _____.

Hard Places v12-14

1) Paul is confined in a Roman _____.

2) Paul wants them - and us - to know that what has happened to him is "to _____ the gospel."

3) There would have been no other way to expose the imperial guard - and others - to the faith without being in this _____.

4) Instead of Paul's hard circumstance intimidating the Roman believers, they were _____ and became more bold.

Romans 5:3-5 "We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope.

Hard People v15-18

1) Those _____ the church are more often than not those who are the most bold and effective at criticizing the church leaders.

2) We aren't to be reluctant or under _____ to live for Christ.

3) 4 things to remind yourself of this week.

- **Share** your experience, strength, and hope in the gospel.
- **Pray** for a hard place or hard person, that one that just popped in to mind.
- **Read** some of your Bible - we have an app for that.
- **Thank God** - jot down two or three good things - those are gifts from God.

Questions or Notes: