

Joyful Faith

IN AN UNPREDICTABLE WORLD

WELCOME! This morning we're continuing a study of Paul's letter to the church in the city of Philippi. Written during a period of imprisonment, Paul's words nevertheless reflect a deep joy rooted in his relationship with Jesus. He thanks the church for their support, commends their service, and shapes their perspective on suffering. Thank you for joining us as we think about these things!

Participate

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH
ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **LORD'S SUPPER, NEXT WEEK:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **CHILD DEDICATION, FEBRUARY 9:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM, MARCH 23:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **GIVE AT ANY TIME:** Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. *Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.*

- I. The Goodness of Paul's Suffering — Philippians 1:12-14
 - A. Paul sees God using his suffering
 - B. Paul's attitude and steadfastness embolden his fellow ministers
- II. No Rivals in the Gospel — Philippians 1:15-18a
 - A. It is possible to do the right thing for the wrong reasons
 - B. Paul realizes there is no rivalry between those preaching the gospel
- III. To Live is Christ, to Die is Gain — Philippians 1:18b-26
 - A. Paul's Hebrews 11:1 faith
 - B. Paul's peace surpassed understanding
 - C. Paul looked for God's purpose in both paths
 - D. Paul's unique perspective
- IV. A Worthy Life — Philippians 1:27-30
 - A. Paul's steadfastness as an encouragement to a faithful response
 - B. The invitation to share in this perspective

Notes

CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS
IN THE SPACE BELOW

Takeaways

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » When have you felt like a kid in the backseat of a car ride?
- » Where in your life are you finding it hard to endure?
- » How does the idea that God can bring purpose out of pain help?
- » How does seeing the big picture help with difficult moments?
- » Who in your life can you encourage in their current painful season?
- » What would it look like to ask God to meet you in your pain?

Tuesday Studies begin January 21

We have set aside Tuesdays as a time for different adult Bible study groups to meet on campus throughout the day, study Scripture together, and discuss its application to our lives. Here are the three time slots available for you to consider this semester — we'd love for you to join us! *All groups enter through Door N1.*

- » **MEN'S STUDY** | 6:00–7:00 AM | ROOM 210 | **THE BOOK OF FIRST PETER**
We invite you to dive into God's Word with a group of men and learn biblical principles you can apply in your own walk with Jesus. In our study of First Peter this semester, we'll discover that its recipients were reminded of their identity in Christ as God's chosen people, and to live like temporary residents away from their true homeland.
- » **WOMEN'S STUDY** | 10:00–11:30 AM | ROOM 208 | **THE BOOK OF JAMES**
Are you tired of being double-minded, pulled in a million directions, and torn between too many opinions? We invite you to join us for this multigenerational women's Bible study as we dig into the biblical letter of James. Together, we'll discover practical wisdom on how to live wholeheartedly. *Child care available by reservation when signing up.*
- » **SENIOR ADULT STUDY** | 1:00–2:30 PM | ROOM 206 | **THE BOOK OF JOHN**
Join us for this weekly opportunity to dig deeply into Scripture, share from your own personal experiences, and continue to grow deeper in your own walk with the Lord. Each week we'll study a section of the Gospel of John, exploring its unique perspective on Jesus — God's Word made flesh for us.
- » **NEXT STEPS:** Sign up in the Church Center app or at gracechurch.com

Learn More

WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: Calendar, news, and more info

WEBSITE: Find detailed info online at gracechurch.com

CHURCH CENTER APP: Stay connected and go paperless ➦

