



## *{Large Group Study #1}*

### *Philippians 1:1-26*

### *Application Questions*

What are some practical ways we can partner with other believers in our immediate spheres of influence to advance the Gospel?

Re-read Phil 1:6...What are some ways this verse encourages believers and re-shapes how we're to think about our lives?

v. 11 tells us that the fruit of righteousness comes to believers "through Jesus Christ". How should this inform our thoughts about our sanctification (growth in Christlikeness)? What does the balance of human effort and grace look like?

In what ways can the truth that "God works all things according to the counsel of his will" (Eph. 1:11) encourage us in our own lives and as we think about advancing the gospel?

What is your reaction to Paul's perspective on life and death ("to live is Christ and to die is gain")? Do you share that perspective? If not, how might we move toward sharing his perspective, by God's grace?

#### **For Further Reflection:**

- How is a gospel partnership different than any other partnership?
- What are some of the ways believers can think incorrectly about the privilege of personal evangelism?
- In what ways can we better support and encourage our missionaries?
- How might Paul's prayer in vv. 9-11 serve as a model for us as we pray for others?