



Group Time

LOOK BACK:

1. Each participant shares one praise and one prayer request. (Commit these to prayer for the coming week.)

2.

ENCOURAGEMENT 1-on-1 (See page 46 for directions)			
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3. Review last week's lesson.



What did you do to love another? How did it go?



LOOK UP:

Question: What is "The Gospel?"

1. Review your notes from the Gathering Time (Sermon).
2. **Context:** Can a seemingly bad situation really bring about some awesome results? This is the situation Paul is addressing in Philippians 1:12-18. In these seven verses He addresses two adverse situations.

First, he's in prison in Rome, which carries with it many assumptions by those who don't know the whole story. But, because of this, he's been able to share the gospel with *"the whole imperial guard, and to everyone else."* Because of his example, others have been emboldened in their gospel sharing.

Second, while there are some preaching the gospel out of love and good will, others, knowing Paul is not there to correct them, are preaching out of envy, rivalry, and selfish ambition. Nothing under the sun really is new.

Yet, Paul remains joyful! Why?

Because either way, *"Christ is proclaimed."*

3. Discussion:

Let's see how the group did on answering the opening question, "What is The Gospel?" Go gotquestions.org/what-is-the-gospel.html



to:

- Read Philippians 1:12-14.
Put verse 13 in your own words.
Compare and contrast verse 14 with John 8:31-32.
 - How is the fearlessness of the brothers in verse 14 emblematic of the freedom Christ promised for those who know the truth in John 8?
- Read Philippians 1:15-18.
We all can agree, motives matter. In a similar situation, how hard is it for us to have the verse 18 attitude of Paul?
- What is the best method for sharing the gospel?
Someone once told D.L. Moody, the great 19th Century evangelist, that they didn't like his method of sharing the Gospel. He asked them what their method was. They said that they didn't really ever share the Gospel. He said, *"Well then, I like my method of sharing the Gospel better than your method of not sharing it."*
In addition to our gospel sharing "Witnessing Tools" on our GO2 webpage (cbcfamily.net/go2), check out the Life-In-6-Words App at lifein6words.com/app.



LOOK FORWARD: Application

Point: *Whatever your situation, glorify God through the sharing of His gospel.*

Pick a gospel sharing method. Memorize it. Use it to share the gospel with three people this week. Record the results and give a report to the group next week.