

Strength in Weakness - Holding out the Word of Life

Following Jesus is challenging in Philippi because the dangerous truth they hold to is this: Jesus Christ is Lord and Saviour.

The following questions are designed to help you look once again at Philippians 1:27-2:18 and consider how you might apply it to your life.

- Read the passage again and consider what, *“living in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ”* looks like.
- How do you feel about the suggestion that suffering in the Christian life is, *“a signpost to a better world”*? Can you think of times when you have seen this in practice?
- Spend time reflecting on Paul’s description of Jesus in Chapter 2. What encouragement do you draw from this vision of our Lord and Saviour?
- Take time to think about friends and family who don’t yet know Jesus. Pray for them by name, asking the Holy Spirit to open their eyes to the beauty and wonder of Jesus, who is the only true Lord and Saviour.
- Christians, together in community, *“shine as stars in the dark universe”*. What encourages or challenges you as you think about your church community in this way?
- Spend time praying for members of your church family who are facing struggles and suffering today. Ask the Lord to help your church to increase in love for Him, each other and those who don’t yet know Jesus.