A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: September 5, 2021 Philippians 1:27-2:11

- 1. What is the situation that the Philippians are currently in (or what is happening)?
 - a. Everything is great!
 - b. They are partners with him in his suffering.
 - c. Paul has not been with them for some time.
 - d. They have been faithful throughout many struggles, even in Paul's absence.
- 2. To what situation, does the instruction in 1:27 (and following) apply?
 - a. When things are easy.
 - b. If only it was like...
 - c. "Whatever happens"
- 3. What does Paul instruct the Philippians (and us) to do in verses 1:27-30?
 - a. Conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.
 - b. Stay faithful (stand firm) whether he comes to them or not.
 - c. Strive together as one.
 - d. Do not be frightened by those who oppose them.
 - e. He suggests that it is a privilege to suffer for Christ and reminds them that they will be saved while those who oppose them will be destroyed (stay on the right side!).
- 4. What does Paul tell them in verses 2:1-3?
 - a. He was just talking about suffering, did he change directions?
 - b. He reminded them that unity with Christ should lead to unity in the Church.
 - c. He explains that the encouragement (prodding) we receive from Christ should change our "minds" and ultimately change the way we behave.
- 5. What instruction does Paul give us in 2:3-4?

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- 6. Does stress from outside have a tendency to put stress on our relationships? Yes_____ No____ Why do you suppose that is?_____
- 7. What kind of mindset does Paul say that we should have "in our relationships with one another," according to 2:5-11?
 - a. The same as that of Christ.
 - b. One empty of self.
 - c. Make ourselves nothing.
 - d. Take on the nature of a servant.
 - e. Humble.
 - f. Obedient.

8. Who is the one who exalted Jesus, according to 2:9? ______ Who is it that will exalt or lift us up if He so desires? ______ How does your attitude toward others compare with that of Jesus in this instruction? ______