## Sermon Scripture Passage: Philippians 1:19-30

19 for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, 20 as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. 24 But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, 28 and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. 29 For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, 30 engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

## Scripture References:

Romans 12:17-21 –17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." 20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**2 Corinthians 5:14-15** - 14 For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; 15 and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

Galatians 2:20 – I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Revelation 4:10-11 – the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

East Glenville Church – Sermon Notes Handout – June  $11^{\rm th}$  2023 Philippians #3 – Philippians 1:19-30 – Stand Firm in One Spirit

Big Question: How does what we believe will happen at death affect how we live our lif		n affect how we live our life?
Nero became emperor in 54ad at the age of He later executed his		
1:19	Paul's Situation: He is under arrest awaiting	in Rome before Caesar
	The Philippian church had for and sent	for Paul
1:20	Paul's hope: That Christ would be throug	gh his life or death
1:21	Paul's confidence: His life belongs to Christ and at	he will be with Christ
1:22-26	Paul's attitude: How would you describe his attitude of	about his upcoming trial?
The city of Philippi was rebuilt as a military outpost and populated with Roman		
1:27	Three Charges to the followers of Christ in Philippi	
	One: Be Worthy of the Gospel	
	Two: firm in one Spirit	
	Three: side by side for the gospel	
1:28	Our faith and courage amidst opposition and trial is a	for watching world
1:29-30	We are engaged in the same as Paul as w	ve strive for the gospel
	What does Romans 12:14-21 tell us about the strateg	y God gave us in this battle?
What does each of these ideas mean to you?		
To Live is Christ:		
To Die is Gain:		

## Answers for the blanks:

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- He executed his own mother, his wife, and one of his generals
- Trial
- Prayed
- Support
- Honored
- Death
- Soldiers
- Citizens
- Stand
- Strive
- Sign
- Contest

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