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"FINDING YOUR PLACE: TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL"

PART 1

"SUFFERING TOGETHER... FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL"

"Persecuted, But Not Forsaken"

(Philippians 1:12-21, 29-30; Matthew 5:10-12)

INTRODUCTION:

THE CENTRALITY OF THE GOSPEL:

1. The Gospel is Central _____ the _____ of the Church (1 Cor. 15:1-4)

"Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,..."

—1 Corinthians 15:1-4

- We unashamedly embrace the _____ of the Gospel, the _____ of the Gospel, and the _____ of the Gospel.

2. The Gospel is Central _____ the _____ of the Church (Philippians 1-2)

1C. _____ Together in the _____ of the Gospel

2C. _____ Together in the _____ of the Gospel

3C. _____ Together in the _____ of the Gospel

TODAY: SUFFERING TOGETHER IN THE FURTHERANCE GOSPEL

1A. PAUL'S INSTRUCTION... (PHILIPPIANS 1:12-21)

1B. A proper understanding of suffering and the gospel should _____ my _____ on _____. (v. 12-18)

"But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel."

2B. A proper understanding of suffering and the gospel should _____ my _____ for _____. (v. 19-21)

“...For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.”

—Philippians 1:21

2A. JESUS' INSTRUCTION... (MATTHEW 5:10-12)

“Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” (v. 10)

1B. Christ's _____ of the Persecuted: (v. 11)

“Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you...”

1C. _____ we may suffer... (v. 11a)

1D. _____

2D. _____

3D. _____

“If you are reviled for the name of Christ, **you are blessed**, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.”

—1 Peter 4:14

2C. _____ we may suffer... (v. 11b)

“...because of Me.”

2B. Christ's _____ to the Persecuted: (v. 12a)

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great;...”

3B. Christ's _____ for the Persecuted: (v. 12b)

“...for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

CONCLUSION: