

This Week's Icebreaker Questions:

How many more weeks of Winter would you like for there to be?

Sermon Specific Questions:

- 1. What has brought you joy or strengthened your joy over this last week?
- 2. In Philippians 1:18-26 we see that Paul has incredible perspective of his current realities coupled with undeniable joy and eternal significance. What are some ways in which you remain joyful and keep an eternal perspective, regardless of what you may be facing?
- 3. Philippians 1:18-19 we see that Paul knew prayer from others and the Holy Spirit would deliver him, which fills Paul with courage (vs 20). Has there been a time in your life that you can relate to having a supernatural confidence and courage in the Lord's deliverance? How would you encourage others to not doubt in the power and sovereignty of the Lord when they are up against it? What are some things that the group can lift up in prayer for you?
- 4. Reading Philippians 1:19-21, Paul shows us what he holds most valuable. What were some things that held such high value in your life before Christ, and how different did all of that change once Jesus saved you? Has what you hold most valuable changed from the day of your salvation until today? Why or why not?
- 5. Some would say that in verse 21 Paul describes the tension he is feeling of living or dying is a "can't lose" kind of situation. This causes him to remain faith-filled and joyful, even in a very difficult season of life. How does this resonate with you when you look towards God's faithfulness while going through a spiritual battle? How can you apply Nehemiah 8:10 and Psalm 37:23 and find encouragement during a trying time?
- 6. Paul's words in Philippians 1:22-26 remind us that what we face and the decisions we make impact other believers. Who/how have other believers impacted your faith journey? Who/how are you impacting others too?