Discussion Guide for Philippians 1:18-21

1. Read Philippians 1:18-21 and briefly review the sermon outline. The target time is five minutes.

What parts of Saturday's lesson did you find helpful, enlightening, unclear or troubling?

2. Truth: God fills up our joy as we live courageously for the exclusive purpose of bringing Him honor. When we live by this way, God promises to give us all of the strength that we need by the help of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us the ability to say with our whole hearts, "to live is Christ, to die is gain."

Read Romans 8:18-25

Who creates a true longing in us for completed redemption?

How does this longing give us strength to honor Christ?

How does this longing give us patience in struggles?

Read Romans 8:26-28

How does the Holy Spirit help us in our times of spiritual weakness?

How does the Holy Spirit's intercession assure us of the promise in 8:28.

How have you personally seen God work all things for your good and His glory?

Read Romans 8:29-31

What is the good process that God promises to complete in our life despite our troubles?

How does this give us the ability to say "to die is gain"?