Discussion Guide for Philippians 1:21-30

1. Read Philippians 1:21-30 and then 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: We have been called to be Spiritual Spartans for the defense and advance of the faith of the gospel. As we press forward, we can expect opposition from the kingdom of darkness.

Read 2 Corinthians 10:3-6

What is the nature of these "fortresses" or "strongholds" of darkness that try to block the work of God? (Physical?, Spiritual?, Intellectual?, Combination?) What are the potential effects of these strongholds of darkness on the people around us?

How do we combat this darkness?

What is our goal in combating this darkness?

Read 1 Peter 3:13-16

What are the attitudes that we should have when explaining or defending our Christian beliefs?

What is the central point that we are to defend about our Christian beliefs?