

January 29 - 30 Sermon | Philippians 1:19-30

## **UNDERSTAND THEIR STORY**

In this passage, Paul is encouraging and exhorting his beloved church at Philippi. Read the passages below to gain a better understanding of what exactly he is encouraging them to do.

- 1. Read Php. 1:19-30
  - a. What is Paul's motivation for ministry?
  - b. What is Paul's goal for the Philippian church?
- 2. Read Mark 4:13-20
  - a. What are the "bad" soils in the story?
  - b. Which type of bad soil do you think is the most prevalent in our society right now?
  - c. What makes the "good" soil, good, in this story?

## **CONNECT TO HIS STORY**

- 1. Read Eph. 4:11-12
  - a. How have you heard this verse used before?
  - b. How did Pastor Mark use this verse?
  - c. What is the work of the ministry?

## **APPLY TO OUR STORY**

- 1. Every single person has a "ministry role," which is the place they work, serve, play, eat, etc.
  - a. Where is your ministry role?
  - b. In your ministry role, what is one way you can say or show you are a Christian to the people around you?
  - c. In your ministry role, what is one way you can serve others?
- 2. Since everyone is in ministry, everyone needs to be encouraged to press on in the faith and exhorted to keep growing.
  - a. What is one encouragement you have received in your ministry role?
  - b. What is one exhortation/challenge you can give yourself?

**Prayer |** Close in prayer for the confessions of the people in your smaller groups:

Adoration: What can you praise God for, as a result of studying this text?

Confession: What might you need to confess to God as a result of studying this text?

Supplication: What can you ask God for, as a result of studying this text?