



Paul's letter to the Philippians teaches us and invites us to participate in a sense of...

- _____ (Phil 1:1-11)
- _____ (1:12-27)

...that brings joy to the journey.

The joy of an "of Christ," "in Christ," "from Christ" purpose

- Is greater than what has _____ to me (1:12)
- Can capture the _____ of those who do not know Christ (1:13)
- Can encourage my fellow disciples to be _____ in the Lord and to boldly shine as lights in the world (1:14)
- Keeps me undeterred by the bad _____ and self-centeredness of others (1:15-18)
- Consistently reminds me of what I _____ (1:19)
- Keeps my expectation _____ and my _____ in Christ alive (1:20)
- Gives priority to my _____ (1:23)
- Helps me to put the interests of _____ ahead of my own (1:24-26)

The question: is _____ purpose "of Christ," "in Christ," "from Christ"?

What is that purpose?

- The _____ of the gospel (1:12): _____
- Christ will be _____ in my body (1:20): _____
- _____ and joy in the faith (1:25): _____
- A life _____ of the gospel (1:27): _____

The joy of a Christian doesn't pretend that circumstances are good when they're not. The joy of a Christian is rooted in purpose and it consistently reminds me of what I know: God is good, whatever my circumstances.