

FOR CONVERSATION:



TAKING THE LIE OUT OF LIABILITIES

Philippians 1:12-18

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1. Through his experiences in prison, what important truth did Paul want the believers in Philippi to learn? (1:12-13, 2 Timothy 2:9)

When we take the lie out of liabilities we focus on _____.

2. How was Paul's ability to encourage other believers influenced by his circumstances? (1:14)

I. The ability to buy up the _____. Philippians 1:12-13

3. Discuss places around the world where you know the gospel is being spread despite significant oppression. Considering Paul's example and what you see happening today, will the going forth of God's Word ever be stopped prior to Christ's return? (Matt 24:14)

II. The ability to _____. Philippians 1:14

4. Paul knew that there were people preaching Christ for all the wrong reasons. What did he say about their intentions? (1:15-17)

III. The ability to _____. Philippians 1:15-18

5. Even though Paul was aware of people whose motives were not pure, what perspective did he hold? (1:18)

6. Why do we have reason to rejoice and to keep rejoicing, even when hindered by things beyond our control?

So, rejoice and keep rejoicing.
Like Paul, we are able to turn our chains into channels.

7. By way of summary, explain Paul's "taking the Lie out of Liabilities" to focus just on abilities, and discuss how this applies to each of us.



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