

# Philippians 1:20-30

## Stand firm in the gospel

*(The People's Bible, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon, pages 28-37)*

### Discuss

1. Paul said that he was confident that he would not be ashamed. What did he have in mind with the word *ashamed*?
2. Of what positive blessing was Paul confident?
3. When Paul considered the two possible outcomes of his imprisonment, which did he prefer?
4. How did Paul think his trial would end? Why?
5. What did Paul say the Philippians would do to “conduct [them]selves in a manner worthy of the gospel” (verse 27)?
6. What would the Philippians’ faith, perseverance, and courage provide to their enemies?

### Apply

7. Agree or disagree: It is a blessing to suffer for Christ.
8. Evaluate your own life. Why would it be good if you died? What purpose does the Lord have in continuing to give you life?

*Paul debated with himself whether he wanted to die or live. For the sake of his congregations, he was confident he would live and continue to serve them.*