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## **QT Questions — for Philippians**

### **Phil 1 (1/19)**

1. In 1:6, what is Paul's confidence about; why or where is his confidence stemming from; what does this completed work look like (see Rom 8:30); how is this applicable to our lives?
2. In 1:12-19, what does Paul mean that he is in chains for Christ; how could such difficulty advance the gospel rather than hinder it; does Paul's chains help you advance the gospel in your life or hinder it?
3. In 1:20-26, what is Paul torn about; can you explain why both positions are really good; how is this applicable in your life?
4. In 1:27-30, what did Paul mean, to conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; how should such lifestyle look like in our lives?

### **Phil 2 (1/20)**

1. In 2:1-4, Paul encouraged the believers to continue practicing love and humility among one another—how are the believers to do that; which of them have you seen in your life and which are you praying for the Lord to work more mightily in you?
2. In 2:5-11, we are gifted with Jesus' humility and exaltation—how did this happened; will you share couple of His ways that speaks most deeply to you?
3. In 2:12-18, Paul said that believers can shine among the non-believers like stars in the sky—how did he say God's people can do that; how can we better live as stars in the sky in this world?
4. In 2:19-30, we are introduced to two men who followed Jesus' ultimate example of humble love—who and how did they display Jesus' ways in their lives; what are your ways that you desire to follow their example in following Jesus?

### **Phil 3 (1/21)**

1. In 3:3, circumcision was a sign of being in covenant with God—what are the three marks a true circumcision displays here; will you explain how they can be displayed in our lives?
2. In 3:8, Paul says "I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord"—will you explain how this was so for Paul; will you reflect and see how applicable Paul's confession is to your life?
3. In 3:12-14, looking backwards and forwards—where and why does Paul's have his focus; how can we also learn to have our focus like Paul, when life has so many things needing our attention today, and yesterday's issues, and tomorrow's worries?
4. In 3:20-21, please write these verses, memorize, and meditate on them all day—where is our true and permanent citizenship; Who will come for us; what will happen when He returns to lead us home; what is your response to all of these things?
  - I have found these two verses more precious than many accomplishments and treasures in life. I have returned to them so often, and sat there, drinking and meditating on this promise often. When life's disappointments and pain has overwhelmed, these verses kept holding on to me, blessing me to look up to Him and the home and the new body He has prepared for His people.

### Phil 4 (1/22)

1. In 4:1-3, we are introduced to two women who were serving the church—who are these lovely servants; what is Paul pleading them to do and why do you think he is; what must we learn from such examples?
  - Remember chapter 2?—Paul specifically highlighted the attitudes of Jesus and Timothy and Epaphroditus, from whose examples God’s people should learn.
2. In 4:4-9, from the previous verses, we know the church was struggling to have the same mind and attitude, in the midst of such conflicts, Paul was calling God’s people to rejoice, be gentle, pray, and think—will you explain how Paul applied each of these in this conflict; in your time of conflict and struggle, how can you obey such teaching?
3. In 4:13, we have the well known verse, “I can do all this through Him who gives me strength”—how do many people today understand this verse, especially all things; how is the meaning different for Paul when this verse is an overflow of the two previous verses; what do you think God’s truth is teaching us here?
4. In 4:14-19, Paul is so thankful to have God’s people sharing troubles and needs together—how did they do that; how did God view this; what does God delight to do as He sees the needs of His children; what does this mean for you?