3. God's Power, Not Your Power

Phil. 1:19 ... Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.

4. <u>Pleasing</u> God, not Pleasing Yourself

Phil. 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Key: pg.1: anticipation; acceptance; purpose; Pg. 3: Priorities Pg. 4: Power; Pleasing.

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Finding Purpose in Hard Times

Philippians: Finding Joy in Hard Times Phil. 1:12-21; September 30, 2018

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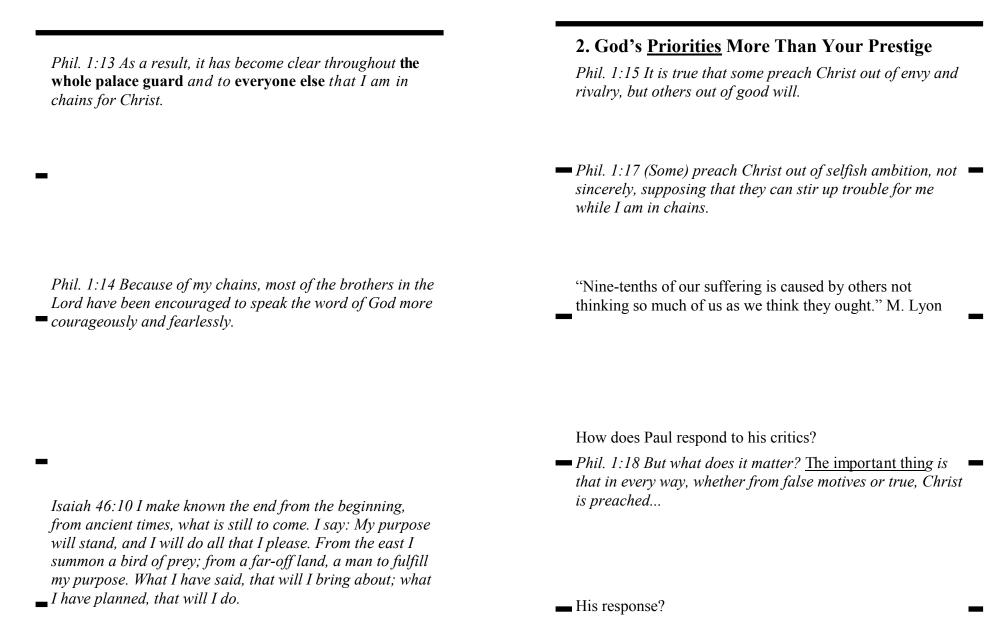
1. God's Purposes More Than Your Problems

Philippians. 1:12 Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel.

"There will be no major solution to the suffering of mankind until we reach some understanding of who we are, what the purpose of Creation was, and what happens after death." -- Woody Allen

Why do we go through hard times? This is NOT an exhaustive list:

- Correct you. Job 5:17-18
- Change you. Isaiah 48:10-11
- Challenge you to be like Christ. John 15
- Call others. Phil. 1:12-18
- Comfort others. 2 Cor. 1:3-11



Philippians 1:18c ... And because of this I rejoice.