

Living Insight

How would you feel if you were living on Death Row right now? There are many people today who have to live with that reality everyday. The Apostle Paul knew what it felt like to be on Death Row. When he wrote his letter to the church in Philippi, he was in a Roman prison. He was waiting for his trial. He did not know whether he would live or die. How would you feel if you had to slip on his sandals? He was filled with joy, hope and true confidence in the Lord. His primary concern was that he might magnify the Lord in his body! How are you magnifying the Lord in your life?

Grace and Peace through our Lord Jesus,

~ Ed

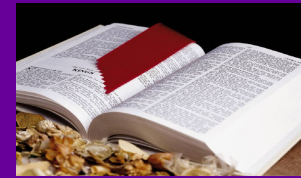
Prayer Requests



Living for Christ on Death Row

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Philippians 1:18-21



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Time: 11:00 a.m.

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I. How would you feel if you were on Death Row?

A. Most of us could not imagine the despair.

1. Some of us would be very stressed & depressed.
2. Many people would be looking for an appeal.
3. Paul found himself praying for courage.

B. Paul knew the reality of being in prison.

1. He saw himself as being in chains for Christ.
2. He was thankful for the prayers of the saints.
3. He was filled with joy and hope, not despair.
~ **Philippians 4:4**

C. His concern was more about Christ than Paul.

1. He rejoiced that the gospel was being preached.
2. He prayed that he would be bold & courageous.
3. He was determined to magnify the Lord.

II. How Do We Live for Christ on Death Row?

A. Preaching the gospel must become a priority.

1. We simply have too many other priorities.
~ **Philippians 3:12-14**
2. Paul knew how to say, *"but one thing I do..."*
3. He had to develop selective amnesia.

B. We must first be crucified with Christ.

1. Paul saw himself as already dead, but alive.
~ **Galatians 2:20**
2. His life was all wrapped up in Christ.
3. We may have a few too many weeds in our lives.

C. We must be committed to magnifying Christ.

1. Paul was not concerned about his life or death.
2. Are we that determined to give our best to God?
3. How will you magnify the Lord in your life?



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III. When We Live for Christ, Our Death is a Gain.

A. Are we really living our lives for Christ?

1. Have we been raised to live a new life?
2. Have we died to sin in our lives?

~ **Romans 6:1-10**

B. How confident are you about your death?

1. No Christian should ever fear death.
~ **Romans 8:31-39**
2. Death has been swallowed up in victory.
3. We are more than conquerors through Him!

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