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The Gospel Unleashed

**Paul’s Chains Advance the Gospel**

12Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters,[[b](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Philippians+1&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29374b)] that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. 13As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard[[c](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Philippians+1&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29375c)] and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. 14And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear. 15It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. 16The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. 17The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. 18But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. [Philippians 1:12-18]

1. Keys to the Text:
	1. Things that happened to Paul
	2. Advance/Furtherance: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	3. Supply: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	4. Progress: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	5. Proclaim (Speak/Say): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	6. Preach: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. “I want you to know…”
	1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have advanced the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
	2. His chains have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel, not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.
	3. PERSPECTIVE CHECK: What has happened to you that advanced the Gospel?
	4. How do chains give confidence and dispel fear?
3. Motivations for Preaching the Gospel
	1. “envy and rivalry”: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. “goodwill”: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	3. PERSPECTIVE CHECK: What is the most important thing?
	4. Why exactly did Paul rejoice?
4. Single mindedness
	1. “It makes no difference what happens to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, just as long as Christ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the Gospel is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
	2. Paul did not find joy in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He found joy in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!
	3. The secret is this: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.