## A Study through Philippians

INTRO

Pastor Chris shared a perfect example of endurance and perseverance in running the marathon. What sport, event, or hobby have you completed knowing you have endured and persevered? What motivated you to keep going?

The true test of endurance and perseverance comes through adversity over time. As believers, we should be filled with a desire to enter our perfect heavenly home, while also acknowledging the work that God is calling us to during our time on this earth. When we face difficult circumstances, whether external or internal, it can be easy to allow our desire to be with Christ in heaven to block our view of how God would use us on earth. Today we will discover the joy in confidently continuing to live for Christ.

**THESIS** 

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Q1. How might believers magnify Christ in everyday life?
- Q2. What practical steps can believers take to serve one another?
- Q3. What fruit have you noticed from serving others in the past year?
- Q4. What advice would you give another believer to continue to strive and suffer for Christ?

## Discipling Idea:

As we continue to navigate this season of COVID and variants, take time to check in on those in your community that you haven't seen in a while and see how you might be able to serve them.

- How have you loved your neighbors inside the group this week?
- How have you loved your neighbors outside the group this week?



## PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Magnify and exalt the name of Jesus for He is worthy to be praised.
- Pray we would always remember to magnify Christ in all the things we do, say, and think.
- Pray we would continue to serve others without anything in return and to give glory to God always.
- Pray we would truly learn to strive and suffer for Christ by uniting with other believers and remember Jesus' suffering on the cross.

Phil. 1:19-30

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