

PRACTICAL APPLICATION _____

1. Just like Paul, we all have life experiences that have shaped us into who we are today. Why is there a temptation to keep these stories to ourselves?

What could happen if we begin to tell the story of where life has put you and where God has not?

2. Even our own foolishness has given us a reason to testify about how God has rescued us from so much. Are you willing to tell others about all the things God has done to shape you into the person you are today (the good and bad)?

**Make sure you read through Chapter 31 before you come to church next weekend.*

PRAYER REQUESTS _____

MESSAGE NOTES

The Story

Chapter 30, Paul's Final Days

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CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of April 21, 2024

The Story - Chapter 30, Paul's Final Days

GETTING STARTED _____

1. Have you ever given up on something you were once so passionate about?
If so, what was it?

2. If you could write a storybook ending to your life, what you would want it to look like? What would you say to those who are closest to you?

How have you seen trials and tribulations have an effect on accomplishing what Paul is asking here?

3. Look up **Romans 5:3-5** and **2 Timothy 10-17**. What has Paul's life taught us about perseverance?

DIGGING DEEPER _____

1. Take a moment to read **1 Corinthians 4:16, 11:1** and **1 Thessalonians 1:6**.
Looking at Paul's ministry, how was Paul an imitator of Christ throughout his ordeals?

What are some things about his life that you can recall that maybe you can begin to apply to your life today?

4. In **1 Timothy 3 and 4** we see the recorded farewell speech from Paul to the Church. What are some things he teaches them that we should subscribe to today?

What are the implications for believers today if we choose to do what **Ephesians 5:1** says?

According to **Titus 1:5-9**, Paul talks about the importance of elders. Why were they important for the Church then and are they still important for the Church today?

2. Paul urged the church in Ephesus to "Live a life worthy of the calling" that they had received. What do you think he meant by that?