

# Philippians Week 15

## WATCHING AND WAITING

Memory Verse:

24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

## 1) CATCH UP ON LIFE

*This is when we update each other on the day in and day out happenings of our lives. Because God is our Father, we are family. As church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)*

Celebrate the wins - where have you seen Jesus working in the last week (shaping you to be more like Himself or working in the lives of those that He's put around you)?

What (if any) big life updates do you need to catch us up on (positive or negative)? are there any practical needs you have right now?

Pray: Take every opportunity to pray and thank God for the good He's doing in our lives and ask for help and healing anywhere there is pain.

## 2) REVIEW THE MISSION

*Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we have been sent as missionaries in everyday life to display God's glory and lead others to repentance and faith through belief in the gospel. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20)*

What is one way our group can partner with you this week as you seek to live as an everyday missionary?

## 3) DISCUSS AND ENGAGE

*Since we follow Jesus, we seek to apply the Gospel continually to all of life. God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, to equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, to show us our sin, and to strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25).*

What is something that you have learned by watching someone else and imitating them?

**Read Philippians 3:17-21**

What is Paul's main command in this passage?

With the whole of the letter to the Philippians in mind in what ways do you think Paul intends for them to "imitate" him?

What would it look like for someone to have their "belly" be their "god"?

What does it mean to have "minds set on earthly things"?

In what ways are you tempted to have your mind "set on earthly things"?

How does the truth of verses 20 & 21 change how we are to approach life as Christians?

What is the significance of Jesus transforming our bodies?

What is one thing that you need to change about the way you approach life because of the truth of this passage?