

Series: Joy Unbound  
Passage: Philippians 1:27-30  
Sunday: September 28, 2025

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## Philippians 1:27-30 (ESV)

<sup>27</sup> Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup> and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. <sup>29</sup> For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, <sup>30</sup> engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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1. For each week of this series, we will start with the same question: where did you experience joy in your walk with Jesus this week?
2. Why is it important for a Christian's public behavior to match up with the gospel?
3. What would be some examples of behavior that does or does not match up with the gospel?

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4. Paul urges the Philippians to stand firm in one spirit, side by side. In your experience what is unique about the unity of Christians?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. If we refuse to be intimidated by our opponents, what will be the result (verse 28)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What could the Philippians learn from Paul's example (verses 29-30)? What can we learn?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. What gospel issue does our community need to hold strongly to and remain unafraid in the face of resistance?