

# The Benefits of a Better Focus

Philippians 1:13-30 (NLT)

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**When you live with a focus on eternity, as a citizen of heaven, three fantastic things will happen in your life:**

- 1. You will live a worthy life that doesn't allow chains to limit you, but those same chains embolden you and others.**

*Philippians 1:27*<sup>27</sup> Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News.

- 2. You will live a worthy life that won't allow the world to prevent you from living courageously for Christ.**

*Philippians 1:13-14*<sup>13</sup> For everyone here, including the whole palace guard, knows that I am in chains because of Christ.<sup>14</sup> And because of my imprisonment, most of the believers here have gained confidence and boldly speak God's message without fear.

3. You will live a worthy life that enables the Church to live for Christ, each other, and for people to come to know Him.

*Philippians 1:20-21<sup>20</sup> For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die.<sup>21</sup> For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better.*