



THANKS IVING

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What does he want them to know?

- That “what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel.” (.12)
- That even the Praetorian guard knows (.13)
- That wherever he is being confined, “most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.” (.14)

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“In Christ” or “in the Lord”

- C.F.D. Moule “what you are is ‘in Christ’ and what you become is ‘in the Lord.’”
- You become in the Lord what you already are in Christ.

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- Christ is proclaimed (even if some are causing trouble for me or “adding” to my trouble)
- What does it matter?

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- .27
 - Conduct yourself in a manner worthy of the Gospel
 - Be united
 - Stand firm in the unity of one spirit
 - (HS or something else?)
 - Contending as one person
- .28 without being frightened
 - dominant secular use = shying horses
 - let oneself be intimidated (passive)

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- Χαίρειν
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- given

- an act of grace

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- ἐχαρίσθη

- given
- an act of grace
- To believe in him
- To suffer for him.

Priorities and Passion

- Priority question: What do I really want in life?
- Passion question: What am I willing to pay for what I want?

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- What does it mean, what does it look like to “conduct yourself in a manner worthy of the gospel” in what the video described as the “comfort zone”?



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