

## **Purpose in My Problems**

### **Living with Godfidence Series #2 – Pastor Guy**

#### **Summary**

The message this Sunday focused on building 'Godfidence' - the assurance that God is with us and working in our lives, even during difficult circumstances. Pastor Guy used scripture from Philippians 1 to talk about how Paul maintained faith and purpose while imprisoned in Rome (between the Praetorian Guard), seeing how God used his challenging situation to advance the Gospel. The sermon was followed by a panel discussion with three fathers sharing their experiences of seeing God work through various aspect of their lives.

#### **Intro Prayer**

Heavenly Father, as we gather to discuss your word and learn from others' experiences, open our hearts and minds to receive what you want to teach us today. Help us to grow in our confidence in you and to see how you are working in every circumstance of our lives. Guide our discussion and fellowship together. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **Ice Breaker**

What's the most memorable piece of advice your father (or father figure) ever gave you?

#### **Key Verses**

- Philippians 1:6
- Philippians 1:12-14
- Philippians 1:21
- Philippians 1:27

#### **Questions**

1. What does 'Godfidence' mean to you personally?
2. Can you share a time when you initially couldn't see God working in a difficult situation, but later realized He was?

3. How do you maintain faith during challenging circumstances?
4. What does it mean to you that 'to live is Christ and to die is gain'?
5. How can we better recognize God's work in our 'sucky circumstances'?
6. In what ways has God used difficult situations in your life to advance His purposes?
7. How can we conduct ourselves 'in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ' in our daily lives?
8. What practical steps can we take to grow our 'Godfidence' in God?

### **Life Application**

This week, identify one challenging circumstance in your life and intentionally look for ways God might be working through it. Journal about what you observe and share your insights with at least one other person.

### **Key Takeaways**

- God is with us and working in our lives even in difficult circumstances
- Our challenges can become opportunities for God to advance His purposes
- Living for Christ gives meaning to both our life and death
- How we live our faith is contagious - we can spread either encouragement or discouragement