



# The Grove

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## LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: 11.14.21 Pulpit Curriculum

### The Reason We Remain: Fruitful Ministry

Main passage: Philippians 1:22-24

Joy and victory are optimized for the believer who walks in faith, faithfulness, and **Fruitfulness**.

#### How did Paul face his choice?

##### 1) A Productive Campaign (v22a)

- Paul was on a spiritual campaign of fruitful labor.
  - Are you on a spiritual campaign? What is the fruit of your ministry in the last month? List those areas: \_\_\_\_\_
  - How do you anticipate spiritual fruit in your daily labors (Rom 1:13)? Is it joyful? Why, why not? \_\_\_\_\_
- The Holy Spirit is a co-laborer in our spiritual fruitful labor (Disciple-making)
  - Do you truly have rest for your soul under the yoke of Christ (Matt 11:29)? How do you daily co-labor with the Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_

##### 2) A Problematic Conundrum (v22b-23a)

- Despite being hard pressed in his choice, he knew his life was in God's hand.
  - What decisions are you facing that may be informed by subjective thinking (Signs, fleece, feelings, etc)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What are some biblical truths that support a more deliberate (objective) choice? \_\_\_\_\_

##### 3) A Profitable Communion (v23b)

- Personally, Paul's desire was to be with Christ; would be "much better"
  - Is death in Christ something you relish as gain? How confident are you that your death will bring communion with Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

##### 4) A Prevailing Compassion (v24)

- To die, was good for Paul; to live, was far better for everyone else. Paul remained for the selfless purpose of disciple-making.
  - How are you selflessly moving forward in disciple-making? \_\_\_\_\_



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- If you remain, you are here to make disciples! Clarity without compassion is selfishness.
  - How is your selfishness impacting your Christian compassion to make disciples? What is holding you back? \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluate your 5 Discipleship Relationships: Where are you at in each relationship? What are some steps you can take this week to be yoked with Christ and to pursue fruitful labor in 1-2 discipleship relationships?

- With God: \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- With a Mentor (Who is your spiritual mentor?): \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- With a peer (Prov 27:17): \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- As a mentor: \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- Evangelism: \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_