

Philippians 1:12-18
"Unstoppable Joy"
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Theme: God's power is at work beyond the hard circumstances that we can see to advance the Gospel.

Key Question: How is the power of God at work? Through...

- I. God's Providence
 - Our tears are tools of God (v 12-13)
 - Our trials...
 - A. Advance Gospel Opportunities (v12-13)
 - B. Increase Human Boldness (v14)

- II. God's Gospel
 - A. The Gospel Advances (v12)
 - B. The Gospel Advancers
 - a. The selfish (v15a-1b)
 - b. The selfless (v15b + 16a)
 - C. The Gospel Advantage (v18) "Christ's work in Christ's Word"

Gospel power is not dependent on the virtue of the speaker; so, we ,too, can speak.

- III. God's People
 - A. Those on Stage: Paul
 - Lesson: Don't waste contacts or crises
 - B. Those In Support: Philippians (and us)
 - Acts 28 :30 Paul 2 years in Rome "at own expense"
 - Phil. 1:5 – Philip[ians partnership from 1st day...
 - Lesson: Don't miss kingdom opportunities