

## **Archetype**

*(Philippians 1:12-19) Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has actually resulted in the advancement of the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard, and to everyone else, that my imprisonment is for Christ. Most of the brothers in the Lord have gained confidence from my imprisonment and dare even more to speak the message fearlessly. Some, to be sure, preach Christ out of envy and strife, but others out of good will. These do so out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of rivalry, not sincerely, seeking to cause me trouble in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just that in every way, whether out of false motives or true, Christ is proclaimed. And in this I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice because I know this will lead to my deliverance through your prayers and help from the Spirit of Jesus Christ.*

## **SHARING CHRIST**

Sharing Christ with others is what we want to be about.

### **1. Sharing Christ Is Often Painful**

*(12) Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me [his imprisonment] has actually resulted in the advancement of the gospel.*

*(14) Most of the brothers in the Lord have gained confidence from my imprisonment and dare even more to speak the message fearlessly.*

- A. Sharing Christ and difficulty often go hand in hand.
- B. Encountering painful difficulty makes us better at sharing Christ.

### **2. Sharing Christ Is Our Priority**

*(18) What does it matter? Just that in every way, whether out of false motives or true, Christ is proclaimed. And in this I rejoice.*

- A. Sharing Christ is more important than our differences.
- B. Sharing Christ is more important than our apprehensions.

### **3. Sharing Christ Is Our Perfection**

- A. Sharing Christ completes us.

*(19) I know this will lead to my deliverance.*

- B. Sharing Christ is our “sic’em!”