

CELEBRATE GRACE

**Striving Together
for the Faith of the Gospel**

Philippians 1:26-30
Sunday, June 7, 2020

3. Let's _____ side by side for the _____
of the Gospel of Christ.

*Paul's challenge to the church at Philippi is also a timely challenge to us on this
Celebrate Grace Sunday as we stand at this unique cultural moment.*

1. Let's let _____ of our lives _____
by the Gospel of Christ.

4. Let's be _____ and _____ to _____
for the Gospel of Christ.

2. Let's _____ together in the Gospel of Christ.

New Summer Series Starts Next Week:

Ecclesiastes: Ancient Wisdom for Real Life.

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Growth Groups are the glue that hold our church together. Growth Groups are groups of 6 - 12+ people that meet together during the week to process and apply the message, pray together, care for another and live life together. If you are interested in joining a Growth Group, go to gracecentralcoast.org. You can jump in anytime!

Connecting and Caring for One Another

How are you doing after the wild events of this week? How have the events of the week caused you to think about your experience and attitudes toward black people and those of other ethnicities?

Digging into God's Word & the Message Together

1. Read Philippians 1:26-30 again as a group. How did you come under God's Word in the text and message this week? Why is this a timely challenge for our church?
2. Of the four challenges in Philippians 1:26-30, which one spoke to you the most?
3. Why and how is racial reconciliation a Gospel issue and therefore one we should care about? None of us has this figured out and all of us are learning during this time. What are you learning and what can you do to foster racial reconciliation in our world?

4. In Philippians 1, Paul challenges us to both STAND FIRM and STRIVE SIDE BY SIDE for the Gospel. Both call us to unity. What image comes to mind for each of those?
5. We are living in hyper politicized and hyper polarizing times. As a church, we are facing several potentially polarizing issues. What are they and what are practical ways we heed the call to unity in Philippians 1?
6. What did you learn in the second half of our Celebrate Grace Sunday? What encouraged you? What questions were raised for you?

Praying Together

- Pray for the checking and dissipation of this Covid-19 virus.
- Pray for the the healing of individuals and communities that contacted the Covid-19 virus.
- Pray for the safety of healthcare and others working on the frontlines of the Covid-19 crisis.
- Pray for the financial provision of businesses and individuals who have lost work because of this Covid-19 crisis.
- Pray for wisdom for county, state and national leaders as they make crucial decisions during this Covid-19 crisis.
- Thank God for the abundant blessings He's bestowed upon Grace Central Coast.
- Ask for God's continued blessing and leading as we pursue the mission of Jesus to help people find and follow Him.
- Pray in light of the 4 challenges of Philippians 1:26-30 as we head into a new fiscal year as a church.