

# “The Main Thing”

Sermon Notes Philippians 1:12-30

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- 1) The main thing is to keep Jesus the main thing.

*Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

**-Philippians 2:9-11**

- 2) To live is Christ means that our lives bring glory to Jesus.

*For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.*

**-Romans 14:8**

- 3) To die is gain means that when we die we go to be with Christ.

*My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.*

**-Philippians 1:23**

- 4) If we're not careful, anything can distract us from our “main thing.” But this is just the world we live in—there are lots of distractions. Sometimes, even Jesus took time away for prayer.

*And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, [Jesus] departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.*

**-Mark 1:35**