

Party on Series  
**“Keep Calm & Party On”**  
Philippians 1:12-26

**Everything happens for a reason.**

*And I want you to know, dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News. For everyone here, including all the soldiers in the palace guard, knows that I am in chains because of Christ. And because of my imprisonment, many of the Christians here have gained confidence and become more bold in telling others about Christ.*

Philippians 1:12-14 (NLT)

*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.*  
Romans 8:28 (NIV)

**Everything happens for God’s reasons,  
not yours.**

**Nothing matters except Jesus Shared.**

*Some are preaching out of jealousy and rivalry. But others preach about Christ with pure motives. They preach because they love me, for they know the Lord brought me here to defend the Good News. Those others do not have pure motives as they preach about Christ. They preach with selfish ambition, not sincerely, intending to make my chains more painful to me. But whether or not their motives are pure, the fact remains that the message about Christ is being preached, so I rejoice. And I will continue to rejoice. For I know that as you pray for me and as the Spirit of Jesus Christ helps me, this will all turn out for my deliverance.*

Philippians 1:15-19 (NLT)

**Anything can be used for God’s Glory.**

*For I live in eager expectation and hope that I will never do anything that causes me shame, but that I will always be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past, and that my life will always honor Christ, whether I live or I die. For to me, living is for Christ,*

*and dying is even better. Yet if I live, that means fruitful service for Christ. I really don't know which is better. I'm torn between two desires: Sometimes I want to live, and sometimes I long to go and be with Christ. That would be far better for me, but it is better for you that I live.*

*I am convinced of this, so I will continue with you so that you will grow and experience the joy of your faith. Then when I return to you, you will have even more reason to boast about what Christ Jesus has done for me.*

Philippians 1:20-26 (NLT)

**SO WHAT?**

**Be Bold to take Action  
in the difficult situations of your life.**

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Philippians 1:14 (NLT)

**Growth Group Questions**

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. Tell about a time when you witnessed or committed an “Epic Fail!”
2. How do you tend to react to difficult times? What do you do to cope?
3. Re-read Romans 8:28. How have you heard this verse used in the past?

How does the meaning change when you focus less on the words “good” and more on the words “His purpose?”

4. Re-read Philippians 1:21. If you are honest, What are you giving your life to right now?
5. What is a difficult situation in your life right now?
6. What Bold Action do you need to take in this difficulty?