

#FIGHTFORIT

A STUDY IN PHILIPPIANS

Week 7 | #fightforit | May 15

Key Focus: #fightforit with your ONE THING.

Opening Up:

- If you could transport yourself right now to a time in the past when you were the least tense and the most relaxed, where would you go?
- How important are life rhythms for you? Do you need life to be predictable? Do you enjoy it when life is less predictable? Explain.
- If you can change one thing about rhythms of your life right now, what would you change? Explain. Why have you not made that change?

Reference: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Discuss:

1. If someone were to ask you, “what is the ‘Jesus way’ of life?” What would you say?
2. What if a person said, “well, I don’t see Christians living like that.” How would you respond?
3. When someone’s way of life is earth bound and their mind is “set on earthly things,” what would be true about that person’s way of life? (3:18-19)
4. Think about your life. Have you had seasons with a mind set on earthly things? What was your life like then (or even now)?
5. 1 Peter 2:11-12 describes Christians as sojourners and exiles. Christians are aliens yet residents. As Paul says it in Philippians 3:20, Christians are Citizens of Heaven. How does being an alien and an exile effect the way Christians live?
6. How does being a citizen of heaven effect the way Christians live?
7. C.S. Lewis says that Christians who have done the most for this world are the ones who think the most about the next world. Why do you think this is true?
8. Jeremiah 29:4-7 says that exiles should seek the welfare of the city. How can you or the church better seek the welfare of Albuquerque?
9. In Philippians 3:17 Paul says that discipleship involves watching, imitating, and walking those who live as citizens of heaven. How do you know who to watch? How do you imitate the behavior of someone else? Whose life do you want to imitate? Why?
10. How have you seen the lives of others you hangout with influencing your behavior?
11. How can you and the church better practice discipleship that involves watching, imitating, and walking?
12. Pray.