# RESET: Perspective – July 5th 2020 Hope Community Church

### **Discussion Starter:**

What were some of the emotions that you experienced because of the period of lockdown in recent weeks? How did your sense of having isolation imposed on you cause you to respond?

#### Digging Deeper: Read Philippians 1:12-30

- 1. What can you observe about Paul's perspective while he was in personal lockdown?
- 2. Paul was likely under house arrest as he wrote the letter to the church at Philippi (For an account of this see Acts 28). What kind of attitudes do you see present in his way of thinking? How do you reconcile these with his circumstances?
- 3. What is Paul's number one priority as he lives his life in personal lockdown?
- 4. Where does Paul place his confidence in for a resolution to his imprisonment (1:19)? Where might you have expected someone to turn to instead? Discuss.
- 5. There's a community of believers who are partnering with Paul (1:4). How do you see this sense of partnership and togetherness showing up through our passage today (see especially 1:14, 19, 24-25, 27, 30 and others!)

#### **Changing our Hearts**

- 1. How does Paul's confidence in the activity of God help you in your 'whatever happens' moments in life?
- 2. Can you think of a situation where you are stuck or helpless to bring change? Share with the group and take time to brainstorm ideas of how the message of Jesus could actually advance as a result of your situation.
- 3. How does Christian fellowship provide strength and endurance for you?
- 4. What's a way in which you could fix your eyes and life on the person of Jesus right now?

## Living it out:

- 1. What's a rhythm or rock you'd like to be putting into your life?
- 2. Take time to pray for each other in the sharing that you have done, to magnify Jesus in your midst and lay your lives down before him again.