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THE SEASONS OF THE CHRISTIAN CALENDAR

Advent: Anticipation

Christmas: Incarnation

Epiphany: Revelation

Lent: Crucifixion

Easter: Resurrection

Pentecost: Ascension

Ordinary Time: Mission



THE LITERARY STRU(TURE OF PHILIPPIANS

1:1-11 Thanksgiving & Opening Prayer

1:12-26
PAUL'S HIGHEST PRIORITY
AND GREATEST HOPE

1:27-2:18 FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS 2:6-11

THE CHRIST HYMN

"Christ's divinity, and thus divinity itself, is being narratively defined as kenotic and cruciform in character."

Michael Gorman

2:19-30 TWO EXAMPLES OF FAITHFULNESS 4:10-23
THANKSGIVING &
FINAL GREETINGS

4:1-9 THE CHALLENGE TO BE AN EXAMPLE

3:1–21 Following the Example of Paul



Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

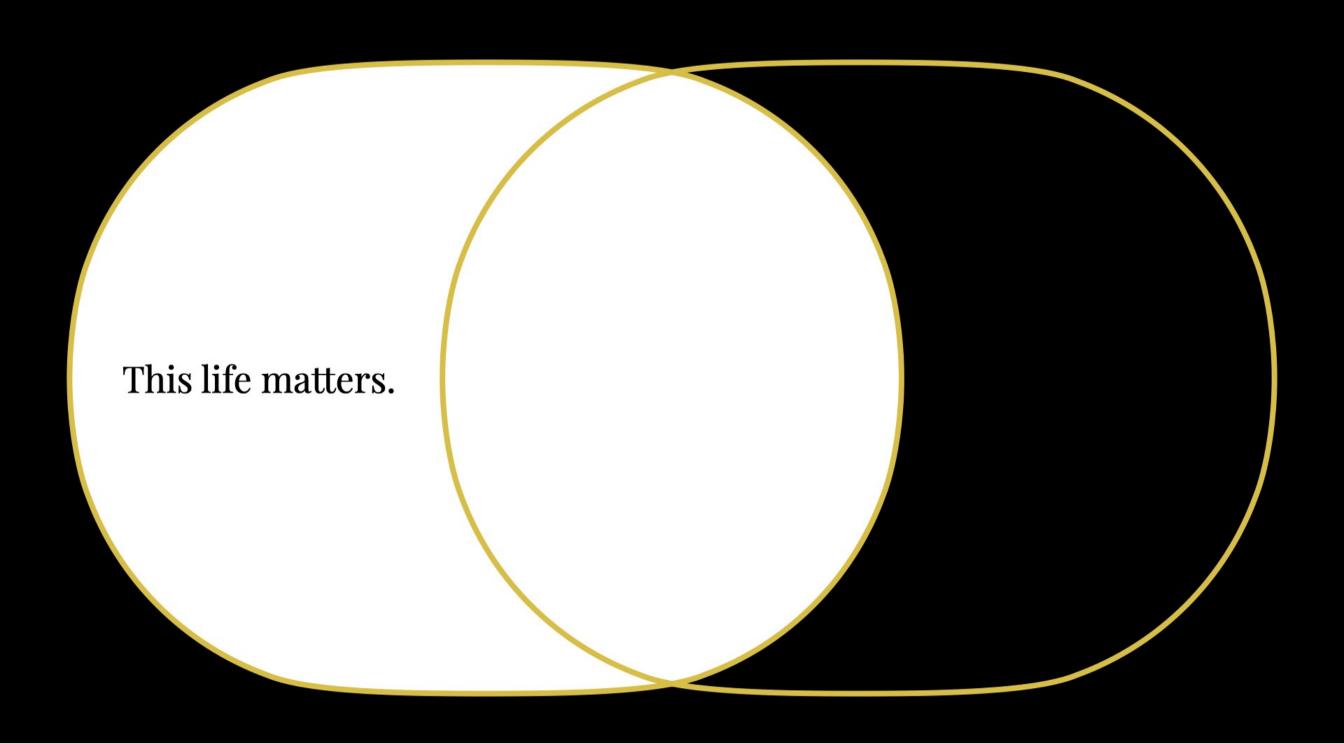
For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.

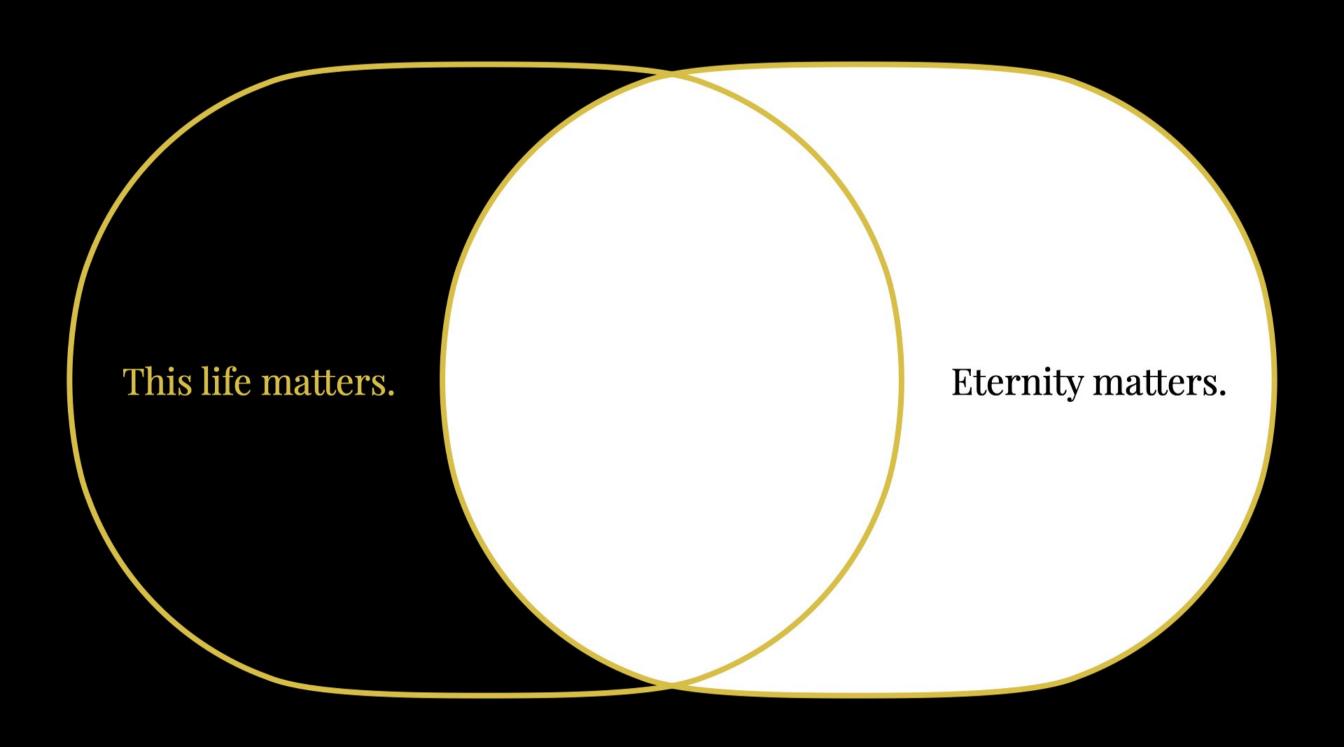
Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

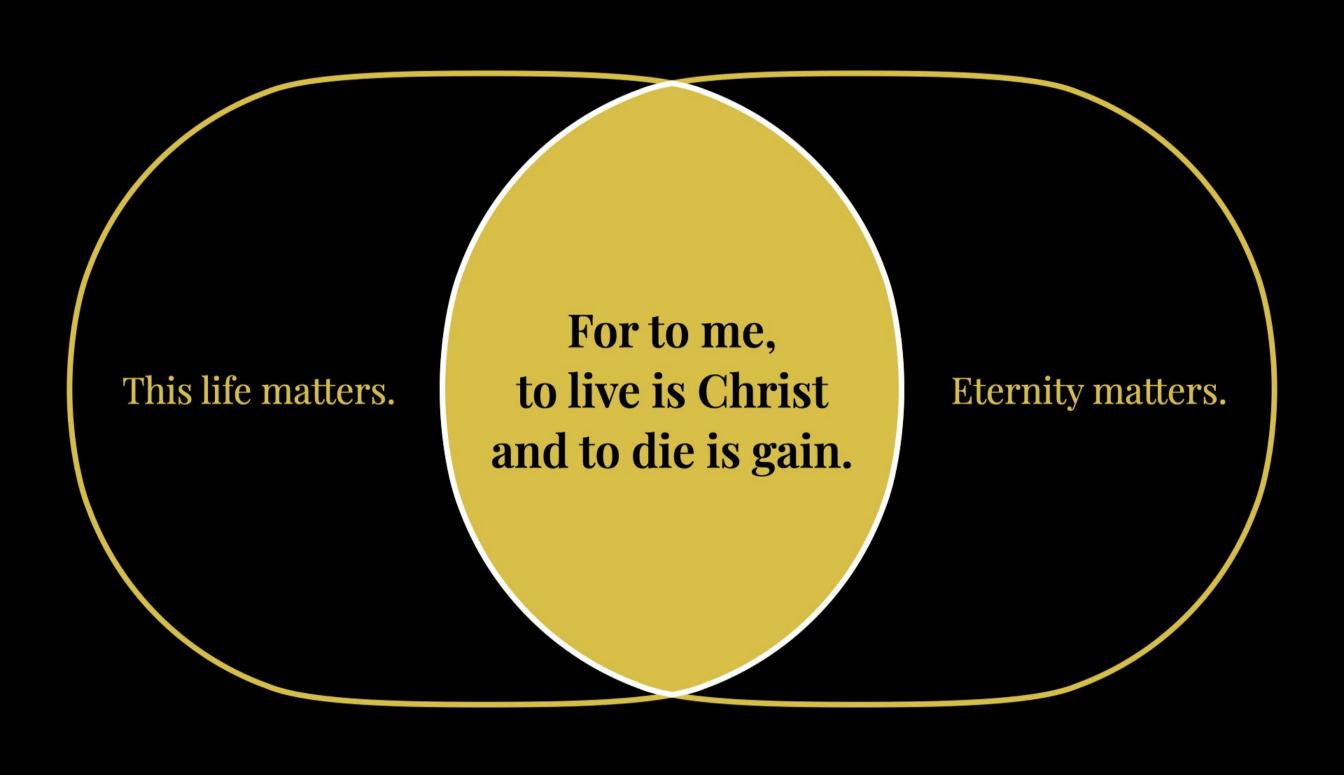
Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you.

This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.



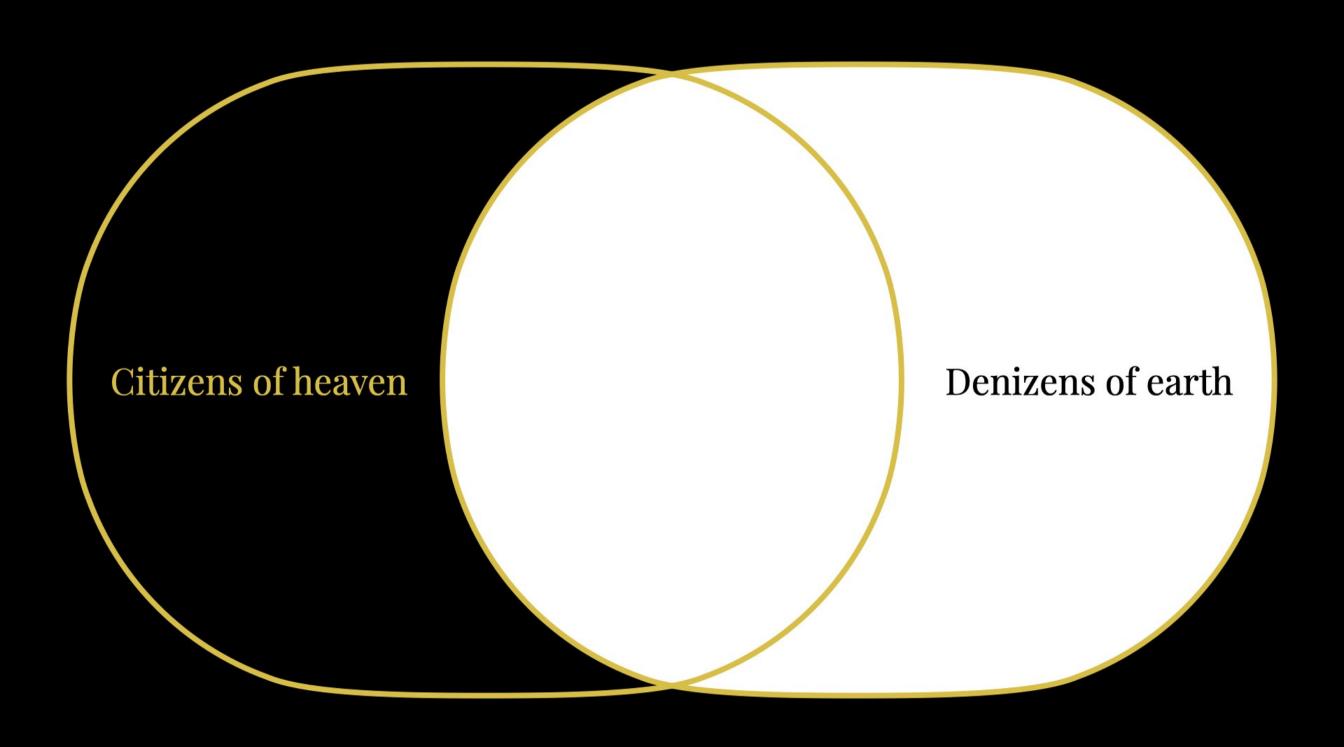






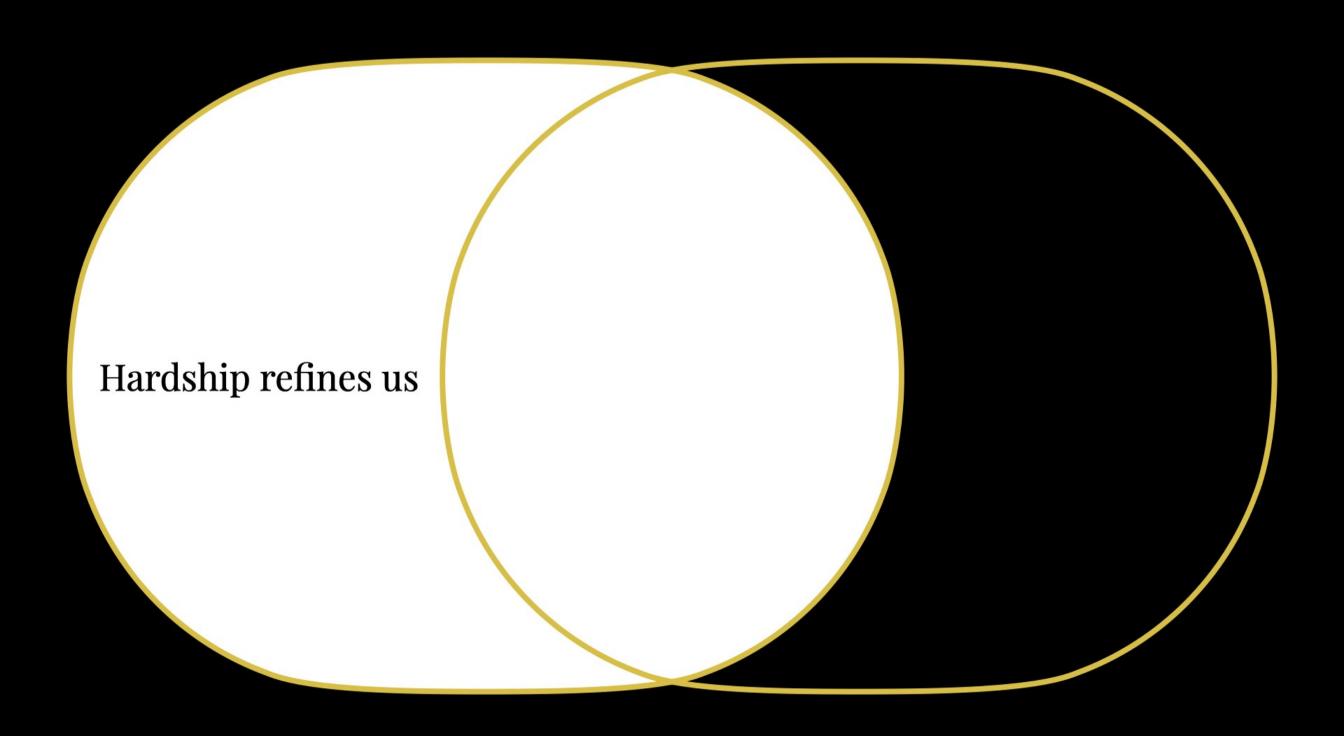


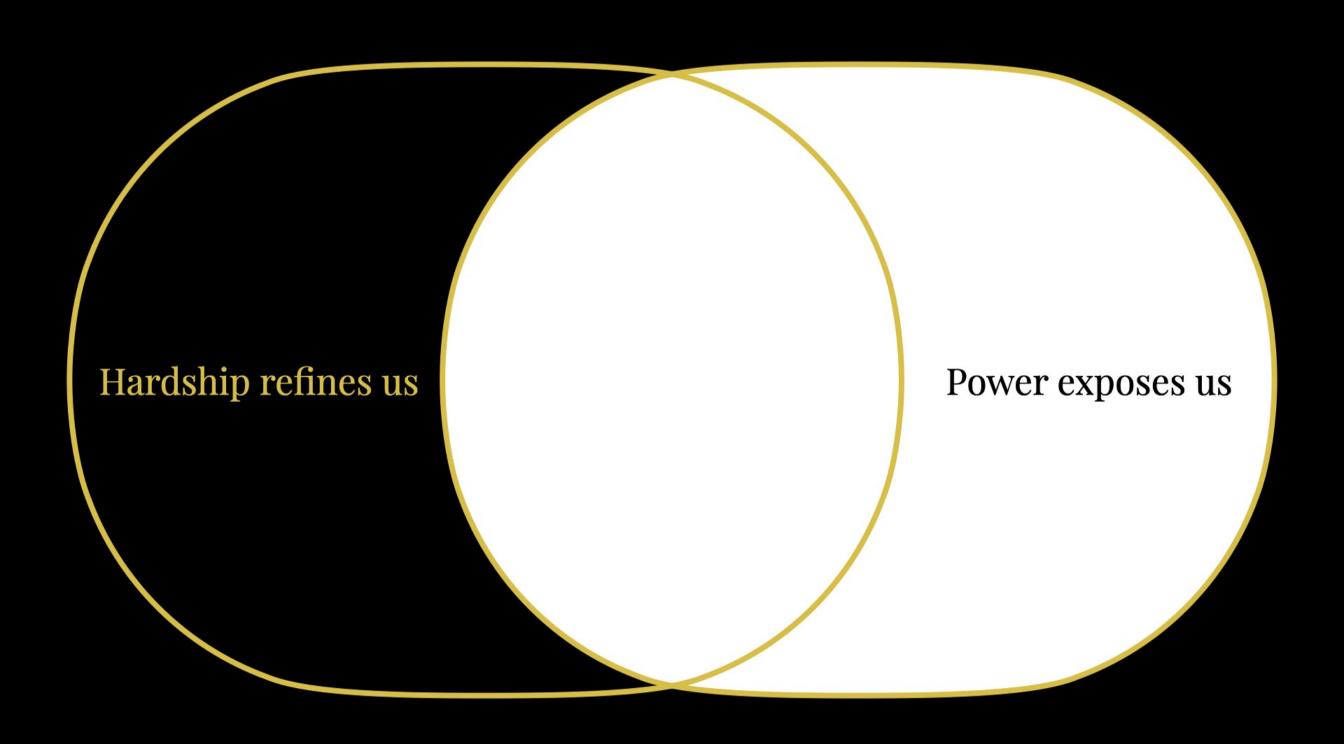






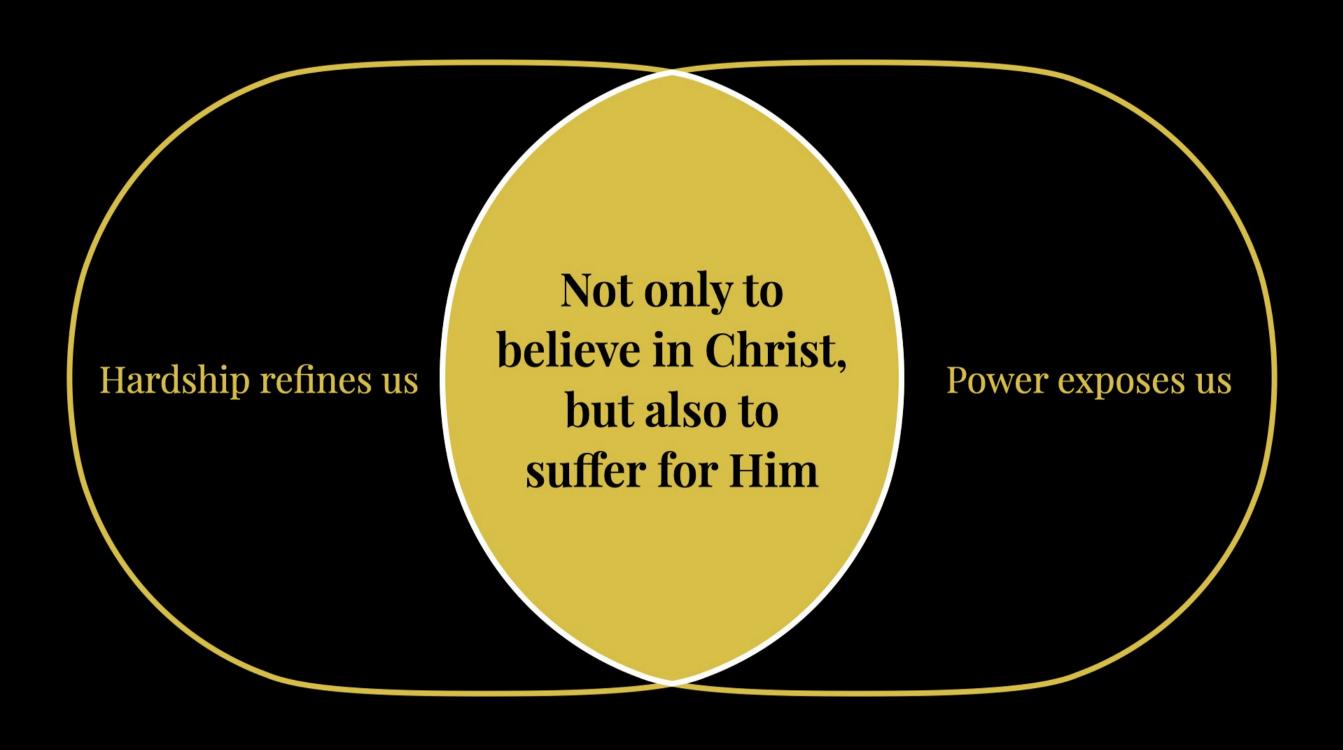






Proverbs 27:21

The crucible is for silver, and the furnace is for gold, so a person is tested by being praised.



Proverbs 30:8b-9

Give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, "Who is the Lord?" Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

