
Live Worthy of Christ (Part Two)

Philippians 1:27 – 2:4

Main Thought

Conduct yourselves in your behavior in a way that is consistent with your confession of Christ.

- I. Live as a citizen of the kingdom to which you belong (v. 27a).
 - Being a citizen carries with it a level of privilege, duty, and responsibility.
- II. Live as citizens governed by the life and law of God.
 - The citizen of heaven displays a godly life in the way they live.
- III. A citizen of heaven should live in a way that is consistent with the life they profess.
 - The word “worthy” (v. 27a) simply means comparable, or equal, or consistent. In other words, live in a way that demonstrates the life you claim to have.

Four practical features of this kind of conduct—the How to

1. True Christians will Stand firm (v. 27b). *Food for thought:* this the critical core of worthy conduct. This is where true unity starts.
 - a. Sound doctrine is at the core of worthy conduct and true Christian unity.
 - b. Godly behavior results in worthy conduct and strengthens Christian unity.
2. True Christians will have a single-minded focus (v. 27b). *More food for thought:* this oneness displays unity.

Today's Sermon

Important Considerations on Unity

- There are ____ inescapable _____ played out for us in Scripture.
 1. Everyone _____ Christ is united in common, sinful _____ and eternal _____ of God for violation of His law.
 2. Everyone ____ Christ is united in common, righteous _____ from sin, _____ of life, and _____ to God and His family, forever.
- Unity is _____. True spiritual unity _____ some people. This unity demands exclusion.
 1. Christians should exclude from their unity those who are in _____ of the _____.
 2. Christians should exclude from their unity those who live _____ lives—those who live a _____ life.

Back to the Four Practical Features of Worthy Conduct—the How to (Phil.1:27b–30)

3. True Christians will _____ for the faith of the gospel (vv. 27b – 28).
 - a. We are to _____ with the Church family and struggle _____ them.
 - b. We must always be _____ *against* the enemy to remain unified in the struggle.
 - c. Being unified helps us have _____ and _____ to not fear the enemy or be caught off guard.
4. True Christians will _____ and suffer _____ for Christ (vv. 29–30).
 - a. Suffering for Christ is a privilege and gift of God's _____.
 - b. You are not _____ in your suffering for Christ.