

Introduction: Understanding Expectations

- A Personal Experience
- A Practical Picture
- A Principle to Remember

Review: C + P = E

- Focus = Upward/Outward, Not Inward!
- Purpose = God, “Use” My Adversity!
- Hope = Look Through An Eternal Perspective

Key #4: _____

Question #4: What are my expectations?

A Final Lesson from the Life of Paul:

Philippians 1:27-30

“Clear Expectations”

• **What does God expect from us? Consistent Conduct**

²⁷Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel; ²⁸in no way alarmed by your opponents-- which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and that too, from God.

Philippians 1:27-28 (NASB)

• **What can we expect from God in a fallen world? 2 Gifts**

²⁹For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, ³⁰experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

Philippians 1:29-30 (NASB)

• **Gift #1:** To _____ on Him.

• **Gift #2:** To _____ for Him.

