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WALK WORTHY IN SUFFERING

PHILIPPIANS 1:29-30

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ,
so that whether I come and see you or am absent,

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit,
with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel,

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

28 and not frightened in anything by your opponents.

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

This is a clear sign to them of their destruction,
but of your salvation, and that from God.

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

29 For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake,

PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30 (ESV)

30 engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had
and now hear that I still have.

1

Suffering in itself is not good.

MATTHEW 27:46 (ESV)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

2 And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans,

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

because they suffered in this way? 3 No, I tell you;
but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

others who lived in Jerusalem? 5 No, I tell you;
but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

C.S. LEWIS, MERE CHRISTIANITY

“My argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust. But how had I got this idea of just and unjust?”

C.S. LEWIS, MERE CHRISTIANITY
A man does not call a line crooked unless
he has some idea of a straight line.

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What was I comparing this universe with
when I called it unjust?"

C.S. LEWIS, MERE CHRISTIANITY

“If I find in myself a desire which no
experience in this world can satisfy,

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the most probable explanation
is that I was made for another world."

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PHILIPPIANS 1:29-30 (ESV)

30 engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had
and now hear that I still have.

2 Salvation is a gift, and suffering, for Christ's sake,
is a gift.

MATTHEW 16:24 (ESV)

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

3

Our **symbol** to follow is a **cross**.

GENESIS 50:20 (ESV)

As for you, you meant evil against me,
but God meant it for good,

GENESIS 50:20 (ESV)
to bring it about that many people
should be kept alive, as they are today.



Pendulum

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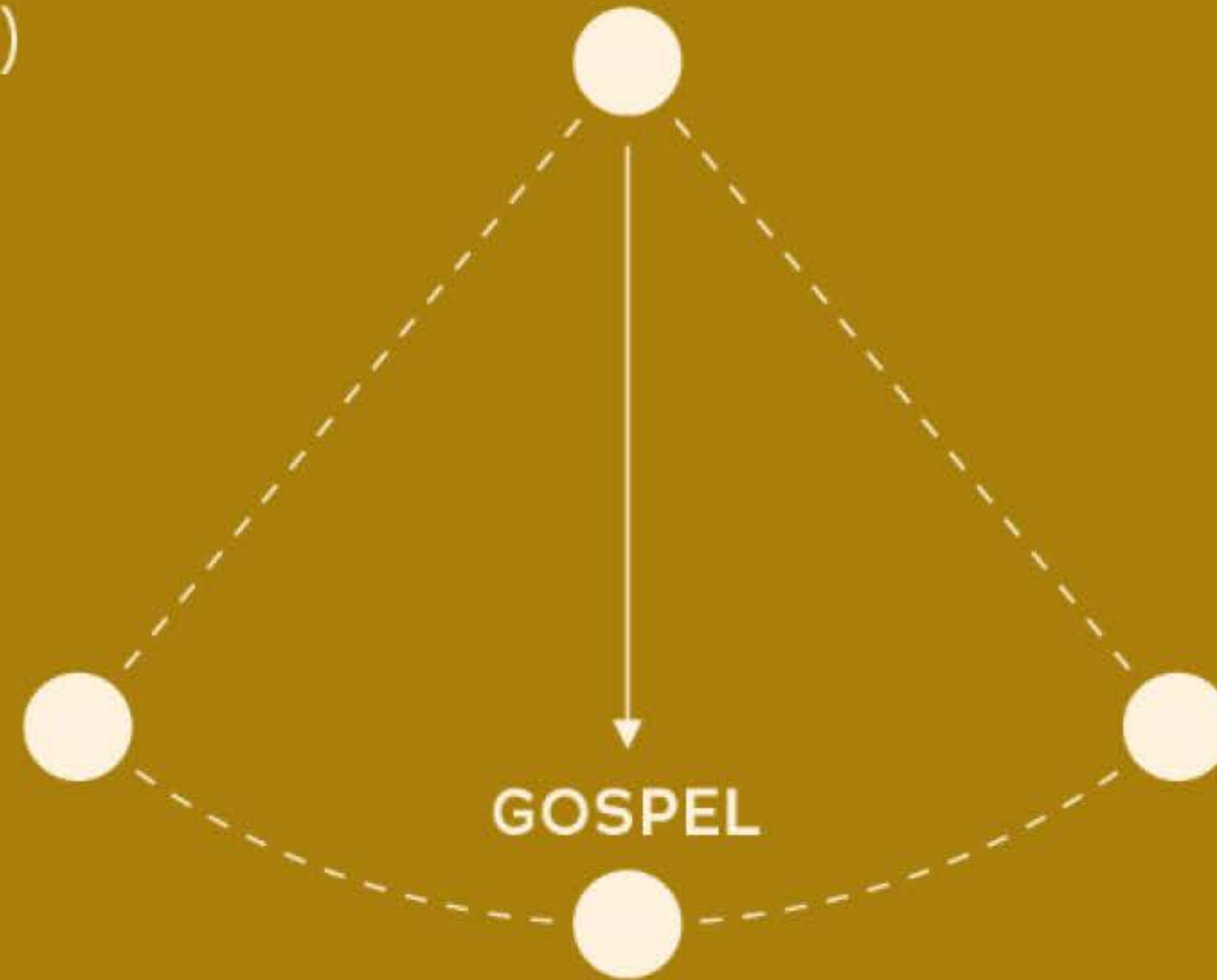
(Toiling + Striving)

SUN

SWEET

(Joy)

- Invest intentionally and wait patiently.
- In life's uncertainties, take appropriate actions.
- Don't daydream!
- Kingdom living is risky business.



- Be generous with investments (diversify).
- Seize the day!
- Be bold.
- Enjoy life in all seasons.

Living life to the fullest as God designed, everything hangs in balance

2 CORINTHIANS 4:17-18 (ESV)

17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,

2 CORINTHIANS 4:17-18 (ESV)

18 as we look not to the things that are seen
but to the things that are unseen.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:17-18 (ESV)

For the things that are seen are transient,
but the things that are unseen are eternal.

ROMANS 8:18 (NIV)

our present sufferings are not worth comparing
with the glory that will be revealed in us.

ACTS 5:41

41 Then they went out from the presence of the Sanhedrin, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to be dishonored on behalf of the Name.

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-13 (NIV)

12 I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel,

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-13 (NIV)

13 so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.

4 Our suffering for Christ will advance the Gospel.



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