



# Living Hope

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## *Sermon Questions*

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1. Paul began by using himself as an example of how to live for Christ. How well is your life as an example? How does this fit with humility, is there a danger to being prideful in your example?
2. Paul knew he was going to face hardships in going to Jerusalem and yet he knew God was directing him to go there. Discuss times when you knew God was calling you to something. It has been said that when the challenges are greater, the call is clearer. Do you agree with that?
3. Paul was determined to finish the race (calling) God had given him. What does finishing well look like in our lives? In a race, a runner speeds up as they near the end of the race, is this reflected in our race for the Kingdom of God as we get older? What does that look like for us?
4. Paul warns us to be on our guard. How much do we evaluate (honestly think about) what media and the world feeds us? How much do we just absorb thinking it's not that bad?
5. Paul quotes Jesus in saying it is more blessed to give than to receive. Reflect on that concept. Does our culture agree with this? Is it easier to give when times are hard or when things are good? What does giving do for the building of community? Sometimes it is easier to give than to receive, however, in order for there to be giving, there must also be receiving...how good are you at receiving?
6. In Revelation 2, Jesus writes a letter to the church in Ephesus commending them on the way they have stood for truth, and yet chides them on the fact they have lost their first love. How are you doing in this? How do you perceive Living Hope is doing in this?