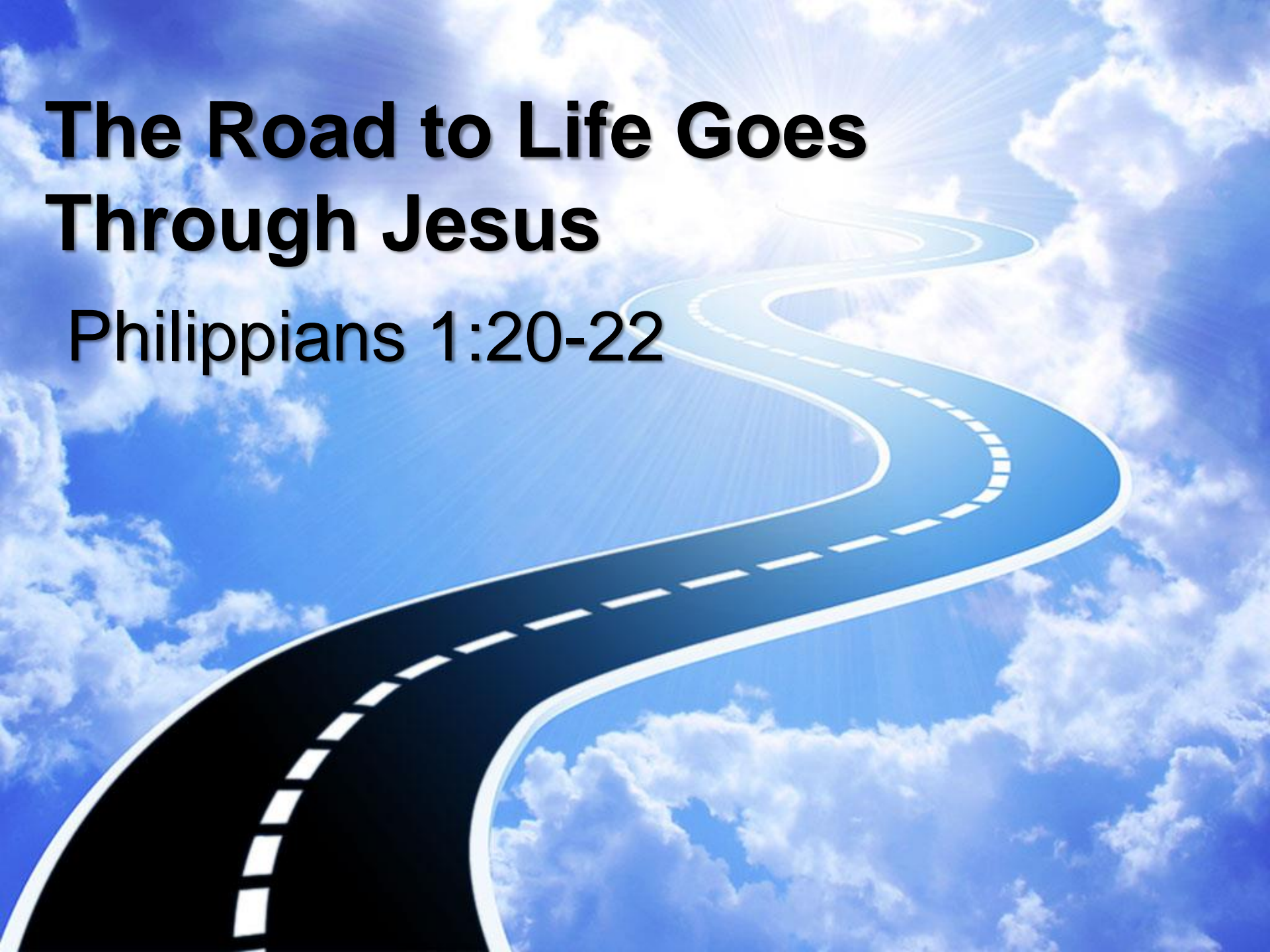


The Road to Life Goes Through Jesus

Philippians 1:20-22



Philippians 1:20-21

²⁰ according to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but *that* with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.



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B. I will be fearless (vs 20) – the principle of boldness.



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C. I will live consistently (vs 20) – the principle of consistency.



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D. I will exalt Christ with my body (vs 20) – the principle of reality.



Romans 12:1

¹ Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship.



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E. I will die well (vs 20) – the principle of eternity.



“Death is a threat to the degree that it frustrates your main goals. Death is fearful to the degree that it threatens to rob you of what you treasure most. But Paul treasured Christ most, and his goal was to magnify Christ. And he saw death not as a frustration of that goal but as an occasion for its fulfillment.” – John Piper, Don’t Waste Your Life, p. 66



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Living = Christ = spiritual work (vs 22).



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If we are able to die this way, chances are we are ready to live this way.

