

No Matter What Attitude for Jesus!

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Series: Living Above the Noise*

*“Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell.
But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”
Joshua 24:14–15 ESV*

I. God Makes No Mistakes. Period!

*“I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel,”
Philippians 1:12 ESV*

There is No Advance When There is No Advance!

*“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”
Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.”
2 Corinthians 12:9 ESV*

My Best Ministry is Refined by the Crucible of Difficulty!

II. Three Benefits of a “No Matter What Attitude for Jesus!”

God Connects Me with Individuals that Need Jesus

*“so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.”
Philippians 1:13 ESV*

When you grasp this it lift you from Woe or me to wonder about the Lord working.

God Encourages Other Believers through Me

“And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.”
Philippians 1:14 ESV

“For we do not want you to be unaware, brothers, of the affliction we experienced in Asia. For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death. But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead.”
2 Corinthians 1:8–9 ESV

“With no Daring there is no Daring”

God Challenges Believers Ministering with Wrong Motives

“Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will.”
Philippians 1:15 ESV

“Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.”
Romans 14:4 ESV

“The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel.”
Philippians 1:16 ESV

“The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me in my imprisonment.”
Philippians 1:17 ESV

What Will My Attitude Be?

*“What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth,
Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice.
Yes, and I will rejoice,”*
Philippians 1:18 ESV