

#### Manner of life...

• Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel ...

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# TOGETHER FOR FAITHER PHILIPPIANS 1:27

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## Living worthy of the Gospel..

- "Conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel.."
- "that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you.."



Politeuma (politics/polis = city)



Philippians 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ..

## Living worthy of the Gospel..

- Because we find <u>VALUE</u> in the Gospel...
- Citizens of heaven value what heaven values ...



#### What living worthy entails..

- Standing firm in one spirit..
- Contending as one man for the gospel..
- Not frightened by those who oppose you...





## What living worthy means for us..

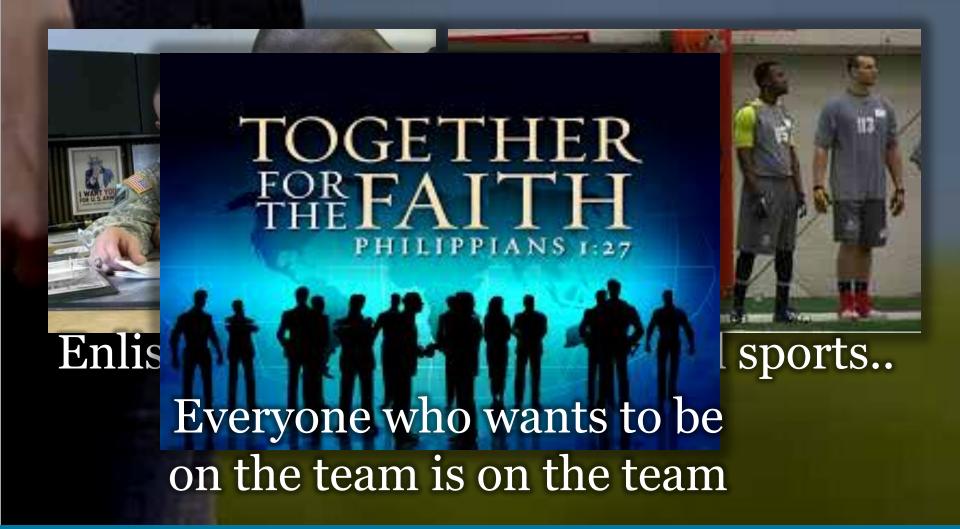
- We have a goal (advance the gospel)
- We are opposed (by world system)
- We are in a struggle...
  - Worth fighting for..
  - -Worth uniting for...



# Be part of a community of fellow followers.

- Contend for the faith as part of a team (part of a city, military unit)..
- Not alone, but the community bringing to the world the good news it needs..

#### Making the team..



## What living worthy indicates to the world...

• Vs 28 "This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved — and that by God."



## What living worthy results in..

- Vs 29-30 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him, 30 since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.
  - 2 Corinthians 4:11-12 For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. 12 So then death is working in us, but life in you.
  - Acts 5:41 So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name.

