FRESH THINKING FOR THE NEW YEAR
Philippians 1:11-18

I.   Paul's main _____ was for the spiritual growth of the believers around him Vs 11
   A.   Paul's prayer for the believers at Philippi had a _____ in mind
   B.   That the believers would be more like _____, which would bring glory and praise back to God and not _____

II.   Paul's _____ toward the proclamation of the Gospel Vs 12-18
   A.   God's hand in his personal life causing the Gospel to go forward Vs 12-14
      1.   His imprisonment was so God could _____ the Gospel Vs 12
      2.   His testimony and witness had far reaching _____ Vs 13
      3.   His testimony caused other believers to be _____ Vs 14
   B.   Paul rejoiced in the _____ of the Gospel Vs 15-18
      1.   Two groups of proclaimers Vs 15
         a.   Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry-_____ attitude Vs 15a, 17
            (1)   _____ motives
            (2)   Without _____ for what they are proclaiming
            (3)   Desiring to wreak _____ on Paul
         b.   Some preach Christ from good will-_____ attitude Vs 15b, 16
            (1)   Unselfish motives
            (2)   A _____ for Christ and Paul
            (3)   To be an encouragement to and _____ themselves with Paul
      C.   Paul looked at the "BIG PICTURE" Vs 18
            (1)   The Gospel is being _____
            (2)   God is going to use the message even to the _____ of the messenger
            (3)   In this truth Paul rejoiced! *Philippians 1:18b "and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice."*

III.   _____ to be drawn
   A.   We need to _____ our motive behind our concern for other believers
      1.   Do we wish that they be _____ used by God as _____ wishes,
      2.   Or do we think we know what the _____ for their life should be?
   B.   We need to see that all the events in our life, even the hard ones, are part of God's plan to make us more like _____ and stronger in his strength.
   C.   We need to accept that our testimony really is _____ other people
      1.   Is that impact _____ and God-honoring
      2.   Is that impact _____ God of the glory He rightfully deserves from out life Cf. 1 Cor. 10:31
   D.   Do we see God using _____ people to make us more like Christ and give us a sweeter spirit in Christ?
   E.   Do we rejoice that the Gospel is being spread, even though it may be spread by other _____ than we would prefer to use?