I. Circumstance

Verse 21 – To die or to live To live is Christ To die is gain

Verse 22 – To live means fruitful labor Both good and bad Productivity but also labor

Verse 23-24 – Pulled in both directions
To leave this world is better for me
To stay is better for you

Verse 25 – I am convinced that I need to stay for your progress

Paul knew he would not be put to death and therefore would remain
here on the earth

Verse 26 – Paul challenges them to take all the confidence in him and give it to Christ.

Verse 27 -30 – Conduct yourself in a manner worthy of the gospel. Sinners will be destroyed Saints must suffer