Together We Stand
Philippians 1:27-30

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Take-Home Truth: Fully trusting in Jesus will produce the risk of suffering.

#1: **No matter what**, honor Jesus as a **citizen**.

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#2: Stand firm **together**.

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#3: Don't let the opposition **scare you**.

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Philippians 1:28 (NLT)

#4: **Trusting in Christ** and **suffering for Christ** go hand in hand.

For you have been given not only the privilege of trusting in Christ but also the privilege of suffering for him. Philippians 1:29 (NLT)

Application Questions:
Am I willing to take a risk for Jesus?
How can I take a risk for Jesus this week?
How can we, as a family, take a risk for Jesus?