

WEEK 6: HERE'S WHERE YOU'LL FIND ME

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PHILIPPIANS 3:1-10a, 15, 20-21, 4:1 (NIV)

Further, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you. 2 Watch out for those dogs, those evildoers, those mutilators of the flesh. 3 For it is we who are the circumcision, we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh — 4 though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. 7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. 10 I want to know Christ...

15 All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you.

20 But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. 4:1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

NOTES

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)





GOING DEEPER

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Have you ever been in a foreign country? Where did you go? What was it like? Read Philippians 3:1-4:1. What words, phrases, and ideas stick out to you?

In verses 5 and 6, Paul lists his country (Israel), his ethnicity (Hebrew of Hebrews), his religious / political affiliation (Pharisee), his passion and what he had accomplished (zeal), and how "good" he has been (faultless). Yet what does he consider those things now? What does he want to know? What things are you hesitant to let go of or count as "worthless" for the sake of Christ? Why?

Verse 20 says that our citizenship is heaven. The greek word translated is "politic," and it carried ideas ranging from where your home is to the "conversation" that surrounds your life to what governs it. Where is our ultimate "home?" Who governs your life? What should our speech be like as a result (Read Eph. 4:29)?

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

Philippians 3:8-9a (NIV) - "What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Chris and be found in him."

TAKE A STEP:

What in your life do you need to let go of "for the sake of Christ?" What things are stealing your joy or damaging your ability to point others to the gospel? What would it look like to change the "conversation" of your life this week?





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 2023 Weekly Budget:
 \$10,187

 Given July 9th:
 \$9,888

 Difference:
 (\$299)

2023 Annual Budget: \$529,724 2023 Budget YTD: \$275,049 2023 Given YTD: \$246,443 Difference: (\$28,606)

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