

That I May Know Him

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Philippians 3:1–16

- 1 Finally, my brothers, **rejoice in the Lord**. To write **the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you**.
- 2 Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, **look out for those who mutilate the flesh**.
- 3 **For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh—**
- 4 **though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for 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; as to the law, a Pharisee;
- 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.
- 7 **But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ**.
- 8 **Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order 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 comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—**
- 10 **that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,**
- 11 **that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead**.
- 12 **Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own**.
- 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. **But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,**
- 14 **I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus**.
- 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you.
- 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

Jeremiah 9:23–24

- 23 Thus says the LORD: **“Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches,**
- 24 **but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.”**