

Aim High with Confidence

Philippians 3

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Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord.
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To write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.

²Beware of the dogs,

beware of the evil workers,

beware of the false circumcision;

³for we are the *true* circumcision,

who worship in the Spirit of God

and glory in Christ Jesus

and put no confidence in the flesh,

⁴although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh.

If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more:

⁵circumcised the eighth day,

of the nation of Israel,

of the tribe of Benjamin,

a Hebrew of Hebrews;

as to the Law, a Pharisee:

⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church;

as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

⁷But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ.

⁸More than that, I count all things to be loss

in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord,

for whom I have suffered the loss of all things,

and count them but rubbish in order

that I may gain Christ ⁹and may be found in Him,

not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law,

but that which is through faith in Christ,

the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith,

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¹⁰that I may know Him,

and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death;

¹¹in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained *it*, or have already become perfect,

but I press on in order that I may lay hold of that

for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

¹³Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet;

but one thing *I do*:

forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead,

¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude;

and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

¹⁶however, let us keep living by that same *standard* to which we have attained.

¹⁷Brethren, join in following my example,

and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us.

Romans 2:1 Therefore you are without excuse, every man *of you* who passes judgment, for in that you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

- ² And we know that the judgment of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things.
- ³ And do you suppose this, O man, when you pass judgment upon those who practice such things and do the same *yourself*, that you will escape the judgment of God?
- ⁴ Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?
- ⁵ But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,
- ⁶ who will render to every man according to his deeds:
- ⁷ to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life;
- ⁸ but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation.
- ⁹ There will be tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek,
- ¹⁰ but glory and honor and peace to every man who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
- ¹¹ For there is no partiality with God.
- ¹² For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law; and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law;
- ¹³ for not the hearers of the Law are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified.

Romans 3:10 ... "There is none righteous, not even one;

- ¹¹ There is none who understands. There is none who seeks for God;
- ¹² All have turned aside, together they have become useless; There is none who does good, There is not even one."
- ¹³ "Their throat is an open grave, With their tongues they keep deceiving," "The poison of asps is under their lips";
- ¹⁴ "Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness";
- ¹⁵ "Their feet are swift to shed blood,
- ¹⁶ Destruction and misery are in their paths,
- ¹⁷ And the path of peace have they not known."
- ¹⁸ "There is no fear of God before their eyes."
- ¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, that every mouth may be closed, and all the world may become accountable to God;
- ²⁰ because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law *comes* the knowledge of sin.
- ²¹ But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,
- ²² even *the* righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction;
- ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- ²⁴ being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;
- ²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was* to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;
- ²⁶ for the demonstration, *I say*, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
- ²⁷ Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith.
- ²⁸ For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.
- ²⁹ Or is God *the God* of Jews only? Is He not *the God* of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,
- ³⁰ since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one.
- ³¹ Do we then nullify the Law through faith? May it never be! On the contrary, we establish the Law.
- 4:1 What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, has found?
- ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about; but not before God.
- ³ For what does the Scripture say? "And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."
- ⁴ Now to the one who works, his wage is not reckoned as a favor, but as what is due.
- ⁵ But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is reckoned as righteousness

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