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Philippians 3:1-11

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PHILIPPIANS

3.1

Finally, my brothers and sisters, **rejoice** in the Lord! To write this again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.

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3.2

Beware of the dogs,
beware of the evil workers,
beware of those who
mutilate the flesh!

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3.3-4

For we are the circumcision, the ones who
worship by the Spirit of God,
exult in Christ Jesus,
and do not rely on human credentials

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3.3-4

though mine too are significant. If someone thinks he has good reasons to put confidence in human credentials, **I have more:**

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3.5-6

I was circumcised on the **eighth day**,
from the people of **Israel**
and the tribe of **Benjamin**,
a **Hebrew of Hebrews**.

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3.5-6

I lived according to the law as a **Pharisee**.
In my zeal for God I **persecuted** the church.
According to the righteousness stipulated
in the law I was **blameless**.

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But these **assets** I have come
to regard as **liabilities** because of Christ.

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18.1-3

Then the disciples came to Jesus saying,
"Who is the **greatest** in the
kingdom of heaven?"

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He called a child, had him stand among them, and said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn around and **become like little children**, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven!

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3.8-9

More than that, I now regard all things as liabilities compared to the far greater value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things

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Like most 'religious' people today, Paul had enough **morality** to keep him out of trouble, but not enough **righteousness** to get him into heaven! It was not bad things that kept Paul away from Jesus — it was good things!

He had to lose his 'religion' to find salvation.

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– indeed, I regard them as dung! – that I may gain Christ, and be found in him, not because I have my **own righteousness** derived from the law,

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but because I have the righteousness that comes by way of **Christ's faithfulness** – a righteousness from God that is in fact based on **faith**.

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