

## **Philippians 3:1 (NLT)**

**<sup>1</sup> Whatever happens, my dear brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. I never get tired of telling you these things, and I do it to safeguard your faith.**

## **Philippians 3:2 (NLT)**

<sup>2</sup> Watch out for those dogs, those people who do evil, those mutilators who say you must be circumcised to be saved.

## **Philippians 3:3 (NLT)**

**<sup>3</sup> For we who worship by the Spirit of God are the ones who are truly circumcised.**

**We rely on what Christ Jesus has done for us.**

**We put no confidence in human effort,**

## **Philippians 3:4 (NLT)**

<sup>4</sup> though I could have confidence in my own effort if anyone could. Indeed, if others have reason for confidence in their own efforts, I have even more!

**Where does our  
Righteousness Come From**

**Philippians 3:1-6**



...severely disfigured the **GOSPEL** message  
by trying to **SUPPLEMENT** Jesus's sacrifice  
on the cross. FSB

**The FURY** of Paul's response in these verses was fueled by his **thankfulness** for his **own deliverance** from this system. ESV



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**We RELY on what Christ Jesus has DONE for us.**

**We put NO confidence in HUMAN effort... (NLT)**

Acts 15:1 (HCS)

Some men came down from Judea and began to teach the brothers: **Unless you are circumcised according to the custom prescribed by Moses, you CANNOT be saved!**"

<sup>5</sup>...some of the **BELIEVERS** from the party  
of the Pharisees stood up and said,  
It is necessary to circumcise them and to  
command them to **keep the law of Moses!**" (HCS)

<sup>8</sup> And **God, who knows the heart, TESTIFIED** to them by **giving the Holy Spirit**, just AS He also did to us. <sup>9</sup> He made **NO** distinction between us and them, **cleansing their hearts BY FAITH.** (HCS)

<sup>11</sup>...we **BELIEVE** we are **SAVED** through the  
**GRACE** of the Lord Jesus in the same  
way they are. (HCS)

<sup>2</sup> Watch out for those **DOGS**, those men who **DO EVIL**, those **MUTILATORS** of the flesh. <sup>3</sup> For it is **WE** who are the **CIRCUMCISION**, **WE** who **WORSHIP** by the Spirit of God, who **GLORY** in **Christ Jesus**, and who **put NO CONFIDENCE** in the flesh...

**→ We Christians are the ones who  
WORSHIP God by the Spirit of God**

<sup>3</sup> For we who worship by the Spirit of God are  
the ones who are truly circumcised... (NLT)

Colossians 3:17 (NIV)

And **whatever you DO**, whether in **WORD**  
or **DEED**, do it **ALL** in the **NAME** of the  
**Lord Jesus**, giving thanks to God the  
Father through Him.



→ **We Christians are the ones who  
GLORY or Exult in Christ Jesus**

<sup>3</sup> ...**WE** who **WORSHIP** by the Spirit of God,  
who **GLORY** in Christ Jesus..

Romans 11:33-34 (NIV)

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out! <sup>34</sup> Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been His counselor?

Romans 11:35-36 (NIV)

<sup>35</sup> Who has ever given to God, that God should repay Him? <sup>36</sup> For **from Him** and **through Him** and **to Him** are ALL things.

**To Him be the GLORY forever! Amen.**

**→ We Christians are the ones who put NO CONFIDENCE in human Efforts**

<sup>2</sup> Watch out for **those DOGS**, those people who **DO EVIL**, those **MUTILATORS** who say you must be circumcised to be saved. <sup>3</sup>...**We RELY on what Christ Jesus HAS DONE for us**. We put **no confidence** in **human effort**... (NLT)

## Where does our **RIGHTEOUSNESS** come from?

➤ **NOT from Obeying O.T. Law**

<sup>20</sup>...**NO ONE** will be declared righteous in His sight **BY Observing** the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

## **Where does our RIGHTEOUSNESS come from?**

### **➤ Righteousness FROM God APART from LAW**

<sup>21</sup> But now a righteousness FROM God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify

## **Where does our RIGHTEOUSNESS come from?**

➤ **Righteousness FROM God Through FAITH in Jesus**

<sup>22</sup> This righteousness from God comes through FAITH in Jesus Christ to ALL who Believe...

## Where does our **RIGHTEOUSNESS** come from?

- **NOT from US** - we ALL Fall Far Short of God's Standards

<sup>23</sup> for ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,



## Where does our **RIGHTEOUSNESS** come from?

- by **God's Grace** He **JUSTIFIES** us and makes us **RIGHTEOUS**

<sup>24</sup> and are **JUSTIFIED** freely by **His grace** through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus

1 Peter 1:18-19 (HCS)

**For you know that you were REDEEMED** from your empty way of life inherited from the fathers, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious **BLOOD of Christ**, like that of a **LAMB without defect or blemish.**