

NOTHING but Christ Matters ~ Philippians 3:7-11

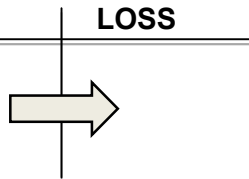
→Scripture Reading Phil. 3:7-11

The VALUE of KNOWING Christ ~ Philippians 3:7-9

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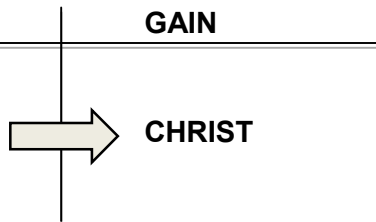
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⁹ and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ - the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith.

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→LOSS of ALL Things - to GAIN Christ

I Want to KNOW Christ ~ Philippians 3:10-11

¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

It takes DIVINE strength to suffer for Christ. That is why the power of His resurrection is put before the Fellowship of His sufferings. MacDonald

IMPLICATION

Paul regards his prior privileges and achievements as spiritual rubbish in comparison to the surpassing worth of KNOWING Christ, and being justified v. 9, sanctified v. 10, and glorified v. 11 IN Him. ESV

Romans 5:1 (NIV) ...since we have been JUSTIFIED through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Galatians 2:20 (NIV) I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, **but Christ lives in me.** The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Romans 5:2 (NIV) ² ...through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the GLORY of God.

TAKE AWAY ??

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→Counting **ALL Things** as **LOSS** - to **GAIN CHRIST**