Being "In Christ"



Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you. Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh—

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: 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; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.

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 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—

that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

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Paul gives a <u>Command</u>, reminding them of the

purpose of this epistle, to <u>Rejoice</u> in the Lord.

Romans 2:29; But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, **not** by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.



#1 We "<u>Worship</u> by the Spirit of God"

#2 We "Glory (Boast) in Christ Jesus"

#3 We, (true believers), place <u>No</u> confidence in the flesh.

Philippians 3: 7-9a

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Be IN Christ Jesus

