

Rejoicing in Christ
“Where’s Your Confidence?” – Part 2
(Philippians 3:1-6)

Introduction

Thesis: We are considering three characteristics of those whose confidence is in Christ so that you will have peace in your heart and stand for the truth.

I. Those whose confidence is in Christ rejoice in the Lord (vs. 1a).

II. Those whose confidence is in Christ are discerning for the Lord (vs. 1b – 2).

III. Those whose confidence is in Christ are _____ before the Lord (vv. 3-6).

A. They _____ by the Spirit of God.

B. They _____ in Christ Jesus.

Conclusion

Text: Philippians 3:1-6

Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things *again* is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you. ² Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision; ³ for we are the *true* circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh, ⁴ although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more: ⁵ circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

Related Texts:

John 4:23-24

²³ But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. ²⁴ God is ^[a]spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Romans 12:1

¹ Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, ^[a]acceptable to God, *which is* your ^[b]spiritual service of worship.

1 Corinthians 10:31

³¹ Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Galatians 6:14

¹⁴ But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through ^[a]which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Ephesians 2:8-9

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and ^[a]that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Romans 8:5-8

⁵ For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, ⁷ because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able *to do so*, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.