## Philippians - Small Group Study Week 10

## **Verses for the week: Philippians 3:4-11**

**3**For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God<sup>b</sup> and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— **4**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: **5**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; **6**as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. **7**But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. **8**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 **9**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— **10**that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, **11**that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

## **Questions:**

- 1. Why does Paul give us his resume in verses 4-6?
- 2. Verse 9 contains foundational theological principles for Christians. How should knowing our position of righteousness in Christ affect the way we live our lives?

**Quote of the week:** Give up your self, and you will find your real self. Lose your life and you will save it. <u>CSLewis</u>

**Bonus Quote:** Too many professed believers talk as if [Christ] were real and then act as if He were not. AW Tozer

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