

Study Guide on Philippians 3:1-11

New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Philippians 3:1-11

(Philippians 3:1) Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard.

(Philippians 3:2) Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh!

(Philippians 3:3) For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh--

(Philippians 3:4) even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:

(Philippians 3:5) circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee;

(Philippians 3:6) as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

(Philippians 3:7) Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

(Philippians 3:8) More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

(Philippians 3:9) and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.

(Philippians 3:10) I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death,

(Philippians 3:11) if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?

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