

Unbridled Joy: True Believers Rejoice In Christ Philippians 3:1-3

Verse 1 "Finally, my brothers..."

*The gospel must be personally believed but also publicly defended
(Rom 1:16)

Verse 1 "Rejoice in the Lord..."

*Happiness is associated with an event; joy is dependent upon a relationship.

*We cannot have _____ from the Lord until we
_____ in the Lord.

*Three ways a believer in Christ can maintain their joy.

1. Return to the _____
2. Adjust your _____
3. Change my _____

Verse 2 "Look out for the dogs..."

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*For Paul, faith includes belief that God raised Jesus from the dead and confession of Jesus as Lord (Rom 9:9-10). Therefore, faith expresses dependence upon God for salvation not one's qualities or positions.

Verse 2 "Look out for those who mutilate the flesh..."

Verse 3 "For we are the circumcision..."

Verse 3 "Who worship by the Spirit of God..."

*Four areas the Holy Spirit works in our lives: God indwells us internally to be glorified outwardly.

1. Through our _____
2. Inside our _____
3. In our _____
4. Through our _____

Verse 3 "Glory in Christ Jesus..."

*In Christ, we who deserved _____
gained _____ (Matt 13:45-46).

Verse 3 "Put no confidence in the flesh..."

*Paul states a believer is to have a single-minded priority,
_____ (1 Cor 2:2)