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Message Series: Gratitude Changes Us: Philippians

Today's Message: Develop The Spiritual Mind

"He is no fool to give what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." ~Jim Eliot

1. Away With Good Works Religion

Philippians 3:1-6

Paul's Message: "Away with religious troublemakers who spread their dangerous disease of good works"

Philippians 3:2, 5

John 17:1-4

2. Replace Works Religion With Christ's Righteousness

Philippians 3:7-9

NOTICE:

1) Paul once was so proud of his heritage and achievements—But Now—looks on those things as garbage compared to Knowing Jesus Christ.

2) "He is no fool to give what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose" ~Jim Eliot

⇒ What Paul Gained: filled him with such gratitude.

Philippians 3:8

"Knowing Christ" - not historical info — BUT: A love-filled relationship with Christ Himself

John 17:3

Romans 9:30-33

Philippians 3:10, 11

Paul's Experience:

1) A Personal Experience: "I want to know Christ..."

John 14:21

2) A Powerful Experience: "And experience the mighty power that raised Christ from the dead."

Ephesians 3:20, 21

Philippians 3:10

3) A Painful Experience: "I want to suffer with Him."

Philippians 1:29

The Result: How Paul was so filled with gratitude: His gains were so much greater than what he lost.

3. The Grateful Mind

1) Devotion

Philippians 3:13 "Focus on this one thing..."

2) Direction

Philippians 3:13 "looking forward"

Genesis 50:20

3) Determination

Philippians 3:14 "I press on"

4) Discipline

Philippians 3:15-20