



"Apostle Paul's True Circumcision"

Living by Faith Part 2

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Abraham is the father of all who live by faith. Rom 4:16

1. True circumcision grows in faith. v2, Rom 4:20

1) They worship in the Spirit of God. v3, Rom 8:10

2) They boast in Christ Jesus. Tit 3:5 Gal 6:14

3) They take no confidence in the flesh. Rom 4:18

2. False circumcision strives for human achievement. v7

The value of knowing Christ...

1) ...surpasses our personal ambitions in life. v7, Phl 3:7

2) ...discovers God's purpose and identity for each life. v8, Mat 20:23

3) ...surpasses all pursuits that we might gain Christ. Mat 20:23

3. Those who _____ in Spirit... v9, Rom 8:11

9 and may **be found in Him**, not having a righteousness of my own derived from [the] Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which [comes] from God on the basis of faith, [Phl 3:9 NASB95]

11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. [Rom 8:11 NASB95]

1) ... _____ Christ. v8

8 More than that, I **count all things** to be **loss** in view of **the surpassing value of knowing Christ** Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I **may gain Christ**, [Phl 3:8 NASB95]

2) ...and are found _____ Him... v9, Jn 15:5

9 and may **be found in Him**, not having a righteousness of my own derived from [the] Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which [comes] from God on the basis of faith, [Phl 3:9 NASB95]

5 "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. [Jhn 15:5 NASB95]

...not having...

✳ ... _____ . v9

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✳ **...a righteousness of the _____ . Rom 4:13**

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13 For the promise to Abraham or to his descendants that he would be heir of the world was **not through the Law**, but through the righteousness of faith. [Rom 4:13]

...but having...

✳ **...a righteousness through _____ . v9**

- 9 and may be found in Him, not having **a righteousness** of my own derived from [the] Law, but that which is **through faith in Christ**, the righteousness which [comes] from God on the basis of faith, [Phl 3:9 NASB95]

✱ **...a righteousness from God on the basis of _____.** v9, Rom 4:5

- 9 and may be found in Him, not having **a righteousness** of my own derived from [the] Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which [comes] **from God on the basis of faith**, [Phl 3:9 NASB95]
- 5 But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his **faith** is **credited as righteousness**, [Rom 4:5 NASB95]
- 4 "**Abide in Me**, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither [can] you unless you abide in Me. [Jhn 15:4 NASB95]

3) Those who _____ in Christ... v10

- 10 **that I may know Him** and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; [Phl 3:10 NASB95]

...they know...

✱ **... _____.** v9

- 10 **that I may know Him** and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; [Phl 3:10 NASB95]
- 6 Knowing this, that **our old man is crucified with [him]**, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. [Rom 6:6 KJV]

✱ **...the _____ of His resurrection... Rom 6:4**

- 4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so **we too might walk in newness of life**. [Rom 6:4 NASB95]

✱ **...the _____ of His suffering... Rom 8:14,17**

- 14 For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ... 17 and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, **if** indeed **we suffer with [Him]** so that we may also be glorified with [Him.] [Rom 8:14, 17 NASB95]

✱ **...the _____ to His death. Rom 6:5**

- 5 For if we have become **united with [Him] in the likeness of His death**, certainly we shall also be [in the likeness] of His resurrection, [Rom 6:5 NASB95]

✱ **...they may attain to the resurrection from the _____.** v11 Rom 6:13

- 11 in order **that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead**. [Phl 3:11 NASB95]
- 13 and do not go on **presenting the members of your body** to sin [as] instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves **to God as those alive from the dead**, and your members [as] instruments of righteousness to God. [Rom 6:13 NASB95]

4. Those who live by faith _____... v12-14

- 12 Not that I have already obtained [it] or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of [it] yet; but one thing [I do:] forgetting what [lies] behind and reaching forward to what [lies] ahead, 14 **I press on toward the goal** for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. [Phl 3:12-14 NASB95]

1) **...to obtain to the resurrection from the _____.** v12

- 12 **Not that I have already obtained [it]** or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. [Phl 3:12 NASB95]

2) **...to complete our _____.** v12

- 12 **Not that I have** already obtained [it] or have **already become perfect**, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. [Phl 3:12 NASB95]

3) ...to _____ ... v12

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✳ ...to lay hold of God's _____ for me. v12

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4) ...in order to lay hold do _____ of one thing... v 13

13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of [it] yet; but: **one thing [I do]** forgetting what [lies] behind and reaching forward to what [lies] ahead, [Phl 3:13]

✳ ... _____ your rear view. v

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✳ ...and _____ forward for the goal. v13

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5) ...press on toward God's _____ for you. v14

14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. [Phl 3:14]

✳ It is a distant _____, high and lofty. 2Co 4:17-18

17 For momentary, light affliction is producing for us **an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison**, 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. [2Co 4:17-18 NASB95]

✳ It is _____ in worth. Rom 8:16-18

16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, heirs also, **heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ**, if indeed we suffer with [Him] so that we may also be glorified with [Him.] 18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with **the glory that is to be revealed to us**. [Rom 8:16-18 NASB95]