



KINGDOM COMPASS – PART 5

PRIDE AND PRESSURE

PHILIPPIANS 3

RELY ON JESUS, NOT YOURSELF

PHILIPPIANS 3:4-8

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put 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; in regard to the law, a Pharisee;** ⁶ **as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.**

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things.

MARK 2:15-17

While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶ When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: **"Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"**

¹⁷ On hearing this, Jesus said to them, **"It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."**

Jesus demands, out of His great love for us, that we recognize and confess that:

- I am weak
- I am lost
- I am sick
- I am enslaved
- I am in danger
- I am in darkness
- I am spiritually dead
- I NEED JESUS

SET YOUR DESIRE, SET YOUR COMPASS

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7

So then, **just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,** ⁷ rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

How did you receive Christ? In pride or humility? Trusting in yourself or trusting in Him?

PHILIPPIANS 3:8-11

What is more, **I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things.** I consider them garbage, 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 is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ **I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,** ¹¹ **and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.**

COLOSSIANS 3:1-3

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, **set your hearts on things above,** where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² **Set your minds on things above,** not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.

Your heart: love, desire, passion

Your mind: interest, curiosity, imagination

1 PETER 5:5-6

And all of you, dress yourselves in humility as you relate to one another, for **"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."**

⁶ So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, **and at the right time he will lift you up in honor.**