



Philippians 3: Boasting in Christ is worth it!

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1. Boasting in Christ brings *Pain*

- ❖ 'Watch out' for Judaizers, and their *rubbish* religiosity.
- ❖ Out with the 'old covenant', stick with the *new*
- ❖ Paul's strong language is necessary!!
- ❖ Citizens of Rome 'have no king but Caesar'?



**Danger
Deep water**

**Children should be
supervised at all times**





- When trials and temptations come for boasting in Christ, keep on boasting! Jesus is enough!
- 'When Christ calls a man, He bids him *come and die*'
- *Gospel + anything = nothing.*
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Application: *Watch out* for threats to your gospel



2. Boasting in Christ brings Joy

- ❑ We True circumcision and temple.
- ❑ Rejoice not in FLESh/SELF.
- ❑ 'Proud Paul' proves Jesus is better.
- ❑ *'iustitia aliena extra nos*

2. Boasting in Christ brings Joy

- ❑ Know Jesus, know maturity;
No Jesus, no maturity.
- ❑ '*...to die is gain*'



Application: Boast in JC, not in ME

- ✓ **Stop humble bragging!**
- ✓ **'Don't shine so others see you; shine so thru you, others see Him'**
- ✓ **Work on knowing Jesus better to joyfully, truly boast better.**
- ✓ **You're made righteous, not just enabled to be righteous.**
- ✓ **All ongoing work in our life is God's - keep on boasting!**
- ✓ **Go back to basics to refocus your joy away from you, onto Christ.**





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*He rejoiced over you;
go and make Him known!*

