

Series: Topical  
Scripture: Philippians 3:1-11  
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### FOUR REASONS FOR JOY

Philippians 3:1 Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord!

Four reasons to have joy in your life. Because...

1. I Have the Right \_\_\_\_\_!

Philippians. 3:1-6 It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you. Watch out for those dogs, those men who do evil, those mutilators of the flesh. For it is we who are the circumcision, we who worship by the Spirit of God, who glory in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh...

Hebrews 9:10-11 For the old system dealt only with certain rituals--what foods to eat and drink, rules for washing themselves, and rules about this and that. The people had to keep these rules to tide them over until Christ came with God's new and better way.

2. I'm In the Right \_\_\_\_\_!

Philippians 3:9 ...that I may gain Christ 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 and is by faith.

Romans 1:16-17 I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last...

3. I Have the Right \_\_\_\_\_!

Philippians 3:7-9 But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish...

Matthew 13:44-46 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

4. I'll Get the Final \_\_\_\_\_!

Philippians 3:1,14 ...and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead...I strain to reach the end of the race and receive the prize for which God is calling us up to heaven...