

## OUTLINE OF PHILIPPIANS CHAPTER THREE

### A. Rejoice. (1)

### B. False teachers contrasted with Paul's example. (3:2-4:1)

- a. Why beware of the "Judaizing" teachers and law-keepers? (2-16)
  - i. Because they are not the true people of God. (2-3)
    - 1. Referred to as dogs, evil workers, and concision. (2)
    - 2. We are the circumcision. (3)
      - a. We who worship God by the Spirit of God.
      - b. We who glory in Christ Jesus.
      - c. We who have no confidence in the flesh.
  - ii. Because Paul had more to place confidence in than the false teachers, yet he sought only Christ. (4-16)
    - 1. What Paul could have place confidence in. (4-6)
      - a. Being circumcised the eighth day.
      - b. Being of the stock of Israel.
      - c. Being of the tribe of Benjamin.
      - d. Being a Hebrew of Hebrews.
      - e. Being a Pharisee.
      - f. Being zealous unto persecuting.
      - g. Being blameless according to the law.
    - 2. Paul's attitudes: (7-15)
      - a. Counted gains under the law as loss. (7)
      - b. Counted all things loss for Christ. (8a)
      - c. Desired only Christ. (8b-11)
        - i. To gain Christ. (8b)
        - ii. To be found in Him. (9)
        - iii. To know Him. (10a)
        - iv. To know the power of His resurrection. (10b)
        - v. To know the fellowship of His suffering. (10b-11)
      - d. Did not consider that he was perfect. (12a, 13a)
      - e. He pressed on. (12b, 13b-16)
        - i. Let us all be thus minded. (15)
        - ii. Let us walk as God has taught us. (16)
- b. Why be imitators of Paul? (17-21)
  - i. Command to imitate Paul. (17)
  - ii. Reasons for imitating Paul. (18b-21)
    - 1. Because many are enemies of the cross. (18-19)
    - 2. Because our citizenship is in heaven. (20-21)