

The Apostle Paul: A Man in Christ - Part 5

Philippians 3:8-14

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A. The consuming passion of the Apostle Paul

1. The surpassing worth of knowing Christ

Philippians 3:8

2. The surpassing worth of knowing Christ experienced

Matthew 13:45-46

3. The surpassing worth of knowing Christ pursued

4. The surpassing worth of knowing Christ: The goals or pursuits

a. A righteousness not of his own

Job 25:4-6; Phil. 3:8-9; Rom. 3:21-26; 1 Cor. 1:30

b. Power of Christ's resurrection

Phil. 3:10; Rom. 6:1-12; John 15:5

c. Fellowship in Christ's suffering conforming to His death

Phil. 3:10; Rom. 8:16-17; Phil. 1:29; 1 Peter 4:1-2, 12-13

- A sharing together in the sufferings for Christ

- The offense of the cross: Gal. 5:11; 1 Cor. 1:22-23
- The persecution for the Gospel: 2 Thess. 1:4; 2 Tim. 1:11-12; 2 Tim. 3:12
- The toil for His church: Eph. 3:13; Col. 1:24

- A sharing together in the sufferings for Christ's church: Rom. 12:4-5; 1 Tim. 3:14-15; Luke 9:23

- The daily life of self-denial: Phil. 2:3
- The daily life of death to self: Gal. 2:20
- The daily life of exhausting toil: John 13:34-35; 1 Cor. 15:58