

“Joyride”
Trivial Pursuit
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The Bible wasn't given just to increase our knowledge, the Bible was given to change our life...

- **today we ask the spirit of God**
- **to use the word of God**
- **to transform us to be like the Son of God**

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Philippians 3:1a (NIV)

“Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! ...

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Philippians 3:1 (NIV).

“Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you.”

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Philippians 4:15a (NIV)

“What has happened to all your joy?”

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Philippians 3:2 (NIV)

**“Watch out for these dogs,
those men who do evil, those
mutilators of the flesh.”**

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Philippians 3:3b

**“... and put no
confidence in the flesh.”**

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- 1. The radical idea that
my righteousness
gains nothing**

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Philippians 3:4a (NLT)

**“Yet if anyone ever had
reason to hope that he could
save himself, it would be I.”**

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Paul had some advantages:
a. Paul had inherited advantages

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Philippians 3 (NIV)

4 "Though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If anyone else thinks he has reasons to be to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 Circumcised on the

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eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regards to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as for zeal, persecuting the truth; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless."

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Paul had some advantages:
a. Paul had inherited advantages
b. Paul had performance advantages

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Romans 3:10 (NIV)

As it is written; "No one is righteous, not even one;"

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Romans 3 (NIV).

21 "But now a righteousness from God, apart from the law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Profits testify. 22 This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe."

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Two radical ideas that Paul learned that changed his life:

- 1. The radical idea that my righteousness gains nothing**
- 2. Another radical idea is my faith gains his righteousness**

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1 Peter 3:18a (NIV)

"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God."

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2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV).

"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

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Philippians 3 (NIV)

7 "Whatever was to my prophet I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss

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compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish ..."

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Philippians 3:7 (Message)
The very credentials these people are waiving around as something special, I'm tearing up and throwing out with the trash - along with everything else I used to take credit for. And why? Because of Christ. Yes, all the things I once thought were so important are gone

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from my life. Compared to the high privilege of knowing Christ Jesus as my Master, firsthand, everything I once thought I had going for me is insignificant – dog dung. I've dumped it all in the trash so I could embrace Christ and be embraced by him."

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Let me tell you what that will mean for us

- 1. Rejoicing solely in the work of Christ.**
- 2. Releasing anything that competes with Christ**

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What are you afraid to give up for Christ?

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Let me tell you what that will mean for us:

- 1. Rejoicing solely in the work of Christ.**
- 2. Releasing anything that competes with Christ**
- 3. It will mean rehearsing daily the death and resurrection of Christ**

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Philippians 3:10 (NIV)
**“I want to know Christ and
 the power of his resurrection
 and the fellowship of sharing
 in his suffering, becoming
 like Christ in his death.”**

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“Garbage Mary,” as she was dubbed by the media, was picked up by the police in a shopping mall in Delray Beach, Florida. She was a filthy mess – and so were her cat and two-bedroom apartment. Neighbors told of her scrounging through garbage cans in search of food, which she took back to her apartment. Police found the garbage everywhere: in the refrigerator, in the stove, in the sink, in the cabinets - even in the bathtub.



But they found other things as well. They found Mobil Oil stock worth more than \$400,000. They found documents indicating she owned oil fields in Kansas, stock certificates from prominent firms, and passbooks from eight large bank accounts. Police also discovered that Garbage Mary was the daughter of a well-to-do lawyer and bank director from Illinois, who had died several years earlier.

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