



EVERY DAY WITH JESUS

Philippians 3:1-21

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1. EVERY DAY: Relax in God's grace.

...We Christians glory in what Christ Jesus has DONE for us and realize that we are helpless to save ourselves. (Philippians 3:3 LB)

• **THE TRAP: Legalism (vs. 2-6)**

Rituals - Race - Religion - Rules - Reputation

But I no longer count on my own goodness or my ability to obey God's law. Instead I trust Christ to save me! For God's way of making us right with himself is through faith! (Philippians 3:9 NLT)

➤ *"Lord, I just want to remind myself – I'm completely forgiven."*

2. EVERY DAY: Remember what matters most.

All the things that I once thought were so important to me, I now consider worth nothing, because of Christ. (Philippians 3:7)

• **THE TRAP: Pop Culture**

Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I may have Christ and become one with him. (Philippians 3:8-9a NLT)

3. EVERY DAY: Get to know Jesus better.

➤ *"Lord, if I don't get anything else done today, I want to get to know you a little better and love you a little more."*

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his suffering, becoming like him in his death so that somehow I also may be raised to life. (Philippians 3:10-11)

- **THE TRAP: Busyness**

4. EVERY DAY: Review where I need to grow.

"Lord, what do I need to work on in my life?"

I don't mean to say I am perfect. I still haven't learned all I should, but I keep working toward that day when I will finally be all that Christ saved me for and wants me to be. No, dear brothers, I am still not all I should be... (Philippians 3:12-13 LB)

- **THE TRAP: Pride**

5. EVERY DAY: Forget what cannot be changed

AND focus on the future.

I am focusing all my energies on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I strain to reach the end of the race and receive the prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us up to heaven. (Philippians 3:13-14 NLT)

- **THE TRAPS: Regret
Resentment
Tradition**

God says, "Forget the former things and do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing!" (Isaiah 43:18-19a)