

“Knowing Christ”
Doctrine Series Conclusion

“Doctrine is the body of knowledge of our heavenly Father, revealed in Jesus Christ, and taught to us by the Holy Spirit in Holy Scripture, and it is to be cherished, lived, protected and proclaimed in the church and the world, to the glory of God's name.” - Adapter from Dr. Scott R. Swain

Doctrine to Doxology
Right thinking - living - praise

*Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers,
look out for those who mutilate the flesh.*

Phil 3: 2

- *You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: “This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”*
- *Matthew 15: 7-8*

*For we are the circumcision, who worship by the
Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put
no confidence in the flesh*

Phil 3: 3

*But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of **knowing Christ Jesus my Lord**. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order 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 comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— **that I may know him** and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.*

- Philippians 3:7-11

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Spiritual Failures

Sorrows and sufferings

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*But whatever gain I
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- Philippians 3:7*

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*I want to know
Christ!*

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Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

- Philippians 3:8

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For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ...

- Philippians 3:8b

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DEATH

Phil 1: 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

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“Death used to be an executioner, but the gospel has made him just a gardener.”

- *George Herbert*