

Title: WHERE'S YOUR CONFIDENCE?

Main Scripture: Philippians 3:1-7

Our tendency is to put our confidence in ourselves. (Is 14:12-14, Gen 3:5, Dan 3, 1 Sam 8:6-7)

Our confidence is ONLY to be found in Jesus Christ.

Rejoice in the Lord. (v 1)

Serve (Worship) God by His Spirit. (v 3)

Boast in Jesus. (v 3)

## "Where's Your Confidence?" | March 23 & 24, 2024

Small Group Sermon Study | Philippians 3:17

**Opening Prayer:** God, we thank You for today. We thank You for the opportunity to sit in Your presence with those here. We pray that through this time together You will be glorified and praised in our study and our conversations. Amen.

## Read the key passages of Scripture and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

- 1. What did you like and appreciate about this message?
- 2. What was something that you learned from this message?
- 3. Read Philippians 3:1-7. What stands out to you?
  - a. Pastor Greg speaks about how Paul is making a statement that no one person is better than the next, "No matter how amazing we are, or how good we think we are, we are to put no confidence in our own merits." Where in your life do you find yourselves relying on your own merits too much? Where could God come in and take it even further than you could ever imagined?
- 4. Pastor Greg brings up that the Israelites desired and looked for an earthly king to later find out that they would never accomplish all the dreams they had. Do you ever find yourself looking in the wrong spots like the Israelites? If so, where would that be?
- 5. Pastor Greg brings up two simple yet important questions that each of us should consider frequently to recentre us, and those are:
  - a. How do we grow in trusting Jesus every day?
  - b. What can we do that will increase our confidence in Jesus?
- 6. As Pastor Greg concluded his sermon, he brought up three key ideas that would help our trust and confidence grow in Jesus. He said that we need to rejoice in the Lord, be filled with His Spirit, and talk about Jesus. As you leave here today, where can you actively live out these things in your life this week?

As a group, ask each other, "How can I pray for you this week?"

**Closing Prayer:** God, again we thank You for today. We thank You for this space that we can come to and grow closer to You as we grow closer as a community. We pray that as we leave here today, we will actively live out Your spirit, Your confidence, and have full trust in You in everything we do. We cannot do anything on our own merits, so we pray that You remind us to lean on You and look to You. We thank You for everything You have done throughout the history of the world, what You are doing right now and what You will do in the years to come. Amen