## Sermon Discussion Questions Philippians 3:1-21 | Knowing Christ

- 1. Opening Question: What's one accomplishment or milestone, big or small, from your life that you're proud of?
- 2. Read Philippians 3:1-21.
- 3. Paul lists his impressive "resume" but says it's worth nothing compared to knowing Christ. In what ways are we tempted today to place our confidence in "fleshly" things, whether career, family, religious tradition, or personal achievements?
- 4. Verse 8 uses the strong word "rubbish" (literally "excrement") for all these accomplishments compared to Christ. How does that reframe what really matters in your daily priorities?
- 5. The thief on the cross reminds us that salvation is by faith alone, not by works. Why is it both encouraging and sometimes challenging to embrace the truth that we can't earn God's acceptance?
- 6. The sermon highlighted that it's not the strength of our faith but the strength of its object, Christ, that saves. When in your life have you had "weak faith" yet experienced Christ holding you firmly?
- 7. Justification is the starting line, not the finish line. What does it look like for you to "press on toward the goal" in this season of life?
- 8. The conclusion reminded us that while we sometimes take our eyes off Jesus, He never takes His eyes off of us. How does that truth encourage you in areas where you feel weary, distracted, or struggling?