

# **Philippians 3:1-11**



**MEN AT WORK?**



## **Philippians 3:1**

**Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.**



# **Safeguard Truth - The Salvation in Christ Jesus (vs.1)**



# **1. What does the Word Safeguard mean?**

**Safeguard : noun**

**A measure taken to protect  
someone or something  
undesirable.**



## **2. What should we be Safeguarded against?**

I.




**Beware of the  
dogs, beware of  
the evil workers,  
beware of the  
false circumcision;  
(vs. 2)**



**A. Who are the Dogs?  
:Legalist**

**B. Who are the Evil Workers  
False Circumcision  
:False Teachers**



**For we are  
the *true* circumcision, who  
worships in the Spirit of God  
and glory in Christ Jesus and  
put no confidence in the  
flesh, (vs.3)**






## **II. What we are now (vs. 3)**

**A. True circumcision  
believers in Christ – Christians**


**B. not our own works –  
Rubbish -**



**4. Although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more: 5. circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; 6. as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.**

**7. But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ.**

**(vss. 4-7)**




# **III. What Paul was in the Past (Vs. 4-7)**

**A. Legalistic**

**B. Zealous**

**C. Realization**



8. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, 9. and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith, 10. that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; 11. in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.


(vss. 8-11)



## **IV. Reward of Giving Up What we were (Vs. 8-11)**

### **A. Knowing His Sacrifice**

### **B. Benefiting from that Sacrifice**



**So What: Today we have philanthropists that are great givers their hearts are on the right things. But just giving is not enough, being able to rely not on our own works and giving; but that which has been given freely to us from God which is the Resurrection from the Dead - Salvation -**