

CHOOSE TO REJOICE

A Study of Philippians

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"Marks of Maturity"

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Key Scripture: Philippians 3:1-16

Jesus plus anything is false religion

(Philippians 3:1-11; Romans 3:19-20; Galatians 3:24)

Religion can keep you from knowing God

Religion can make you look better on the outside than you are on the inside

Marks of true maturity in Christ *(Philippians 3:7-16)*

A growing desire to know Jesus and experience new life *(Philippians 3:7, 10-11)*

Never believing you have arrived *(Philippians 3:10-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13)*

Using the word of God as a mirror, not a club
(Philippians 3:12-15; Matthew 7:3-5; James 1:22-25; Galatians 6:3-4)

*Recognizes that the right path is not always easy and will involve suffering
(Philippians 3:12-14; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; 2 Timothy 2:3)*

*Does not believe that successes are forever, or failures are final
(Philippians 3:13-14; 1 Corinthians 10:12; Revelation 12:10; 1 John 2:1-2;
1 Timothy 1:12-16)*

Allows the freedom to follow God's voice, not a person's (Philippians 3:15; 2:13)

Does not forget his/her story in His story (Philippians 3:16)