

# LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS: “FOR ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST”

## HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

## SERMON NOTES

2 Timothy 1:11-14

### **I. “Pressing On”: Guarding Oneself, (Phil. 3:1-3)**

#### **A. Guarding Ourselves: By \_\_\_\_\_, (v. 1)**

1. (v. 1a), “*Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord...*”
  - a. As we go through life Christians face two problems . . .

1 John 2:16-17

1 Corinthians 6:11

Romans 5:10

Ephesians 2:8

John 3:16

Hebrews 13:5

Luke 10:20

Nehemiah 8:10

Philippians 4:4

2. (v. 1b), “*...to write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard to you.*”
  - a. The scriptures are given to “protect” us from spiritual harm. With this both Paul & Peter agree.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Ephesians 6:17

2 Peter 1:12-13

2 Peter 2:1, 3

#### **B. Guarding Ourselves: By \_\_\_\_\_, (v. 2)**

1. (v. 2a), “*Beware of the dogs...*”
  - a. “*Dogs*” was a term of contempt used by both the Jews and the Gentiles.

Matthew 7:6, 15

2. (v. 2b), “...beware of the evil workers...”
  - a. These work their “evil” by their teachings . . .

Revelation 22:15  
Revelation 2:20

3. (v. 2c), “...beware of the false circumcision...”
  - a. If there is a “false circumcision,” then there must also be a “true” circumcision.

Genesis 17:10  
Leviticus 12:3

Romans 2:28-29  
Galatians 6:13

Galatians 5:3-4  
Galatians 2:16

**C. Guarding Ourselves: By \_\_\_\_\_, (v. 3)**

1. (v. 3), “...for we are the true circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and the glory of Christ”
  - a. Our confidence is in offering God the worship *HE* desires . . .

John 4:23-24  
Ephesians 4:23  
John 17:17  
Matthew 15:8-9

**CONCLUSIONS:**

Acts 17:11

John 3:3, 5  
1 Peter 1:23  
2 Peter 1:20-21  
1 Peter 3:21