



- What you've \_\_\_\_\_ determines what you \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>1</sup> Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard. Philippians 3:1 (NRSV)

### Three Dangers All Believers Need to See

1. See the danger of \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh! <sup>3</sup> For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh— <sup>4</sup> even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Philippians 3:2-6 (NRSV)

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2. See the danger of worldly \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, Philippians 3:7-9a (NRSV)

<sup>9</sup> ..... not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Philippians 3:9-11 (NRSV)

3. See the danger of spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup> Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:12-14 (NRSV)

### My Next Step Today Is To...

- Trust God with my life so that I can know him.
- Repent for making “rubbish” so important in my life and begin to see life through my knowing Christ.
- See the dangers that could sideline me and my faith and commit to press on to finish the race to the glory of God.
- Meditate and/or memorize Philippians 3:12