



PRESSING ON

When The Pressure's On

Philippians 3:7-11

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Study Verse Section

Philippians 3:7–11, NASB95 -⁷ *But whatever things were gain [plural] to me [cf., vv. 4-6], those things I have counted [past tense] as loss [found in only two other places in the NT—it is a business term meaning “to forfeit”] for the sake of Christ.*
⁸ *More than that, I count all things [in present tense] to be loss [different word; lit., “worthless”] in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count [third usage; a mathematical term] them but rubbish [lit., “dung;” used on here in the NT] 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 [lit., “to put to one’s account” (Imputation is the theological word)] in [genitive case—Christ is the source of righteousness] Christ, the righteousness [Strong’s: (Accusive/Fem) “a declared righteousness—in the NT this righteousness is a state declared by God that withstands the test of His judgment...a righteousness always accompanied by Christ’s presence”] which comes from God on the basis of faith [“faith” is the ‘means,’ not the ‘grounds’ for salvation],¹⁰ that I may know [lit., “experience”] Him and the power [Eng. dynamite] of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death;¹¹ in order that I may [lit’s not “may or may not”] attain to the resurrection from the dead [Paul is saying, “I am trusting in Jesus so fully that I don’t have a fallback position—there’s not ‘Plan B.’ If Jesus does not come for me, my body will rot in the grave”].*

Message Section

How do you PRESS ON when the PRESSURE'S ON?
 Philippians 3:7-11

1. Calculate what you must give up?

Philippians 3:7, NASB95 -⁷ *But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ.*

2. Concentrate on what you want must do?

Philippians 3:8–9, NASB95 -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....*

3. Contemplate on what you will gain?

Philippians 3:10–11, NASB95 -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.*

Life Application Section

Philippians 3:9, NCV -⁹ *...Now I am right with God, not because I followed the law, but because I believed in Christ. God uses my faith to make me right with him.*

A. Where does this righteousness come from? “_____ alone!”

B. How do you get this righteousness? “Through faith in _____!”

“Forsaking All I Take Him” - Dr. Roy Fish

C. This righteousness was not Paul’s and it’s not _____!

You don’t earn it—you receive it.

You don’t work for it—it’s granted to you.

You don’t deserve it—it’s gifted to you.

Answers: A. God, B. Christ, C. Yours.