



Opening prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, You make us both to will and to do those things that are good and acceptable in Your sight. Let Your fatherly hand ever guide us and Your Holy Spirit be with us to direct us in the knowledge and obedience of Your Word that we may obtain everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



Read Philippians 3:1-6

1 Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you. 2 Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. 3 For we are the circumcision, who worship

by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— 4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people 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 righteousness under the law, blameless.

Watch the video

Follow this [link](#) or search for 'Grappling with Philippians 3' from the youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/Wolfmueller1>

Review and Discussion Questions

1. Who were the main opponents of Paul's preaching? What was their false teaching that Paul argued against?

2. What is it that false doctrine steals from Christians?

3. According to Luther, every heresy strikes at whom?

4. What is the mark of true Christian worship? How does this contrast with the teaching of the Judaizers?

5. What is the purpose of the resume that Paul gives regarding his Jewish heritage?

6. Do these verses contain law, gospel, or both?
