



## Two Kinds of Righteousness

Philippians 3:1-11

**Big Idea:** When I give up the rubbish of my own self-righteousness, I can freely receive the righteousness of Christ by faith and relationship with Christ for eternity.

### Outline:

#### 1. Self-Righteousness

- a. The Identity of the Dogs' Doctrine: Self-Righteous Religion
- b. The Destructive Danger of Self-Righteousness
- c. The End of Self-Righteousness: Rubbish

#### 2. Christ's Righteousness

- a. The Identity of Paul's Doctrine: Christ's Righteousness Received by Faith
- b. The End of Christ's Righteousness: Resurrection and Relationship with Him
- c. The Importance of Clinging to Christ's Righteousness

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Have you ever had to repeat yourself to get an important point across to someone (perhaps as a parent, teacher, or spouse)? Why do you think Paul repeats himself throughout the book of Philippians?
2. What are some big truths from Scripture that we should repeat often to ourselves?
3. In this passage, Paul is blunt and harsh towards the Judaizers and their teaching. This echoes Jesus' similar bluntness with the Pharisees (See Matthew 23:1-36). Why do you think they were so direct and condemnatory toward these teachers?
4. What are some ways that we can fall into the mindset of self-righteous religion?
5. What is so dangerous about self-righteous religion?
6. How would you explain Christ's righteousness and how to receive it?
7. What makes Christ's righteousness so valuable?
8. Have you ever found yourself slipping back into the mindset of self-righteous religion? How can we guard against this?