



JESUS AT THE CENTRE

READ Philippians 3:1 – 4:3

In groups jot down what we learn about Paul and his thinking in these three areas:

PAUL'S PAST	PAUL'S PRESENT	PAUL'S FUTURE

In what ways are true Christians different from the false believers mentioned in 3:2, 18-19?

Our struggles might not be with the Law of Moses, but with other forms of legalism. How do we often use our religious or moral performance to make ourselves feel right with God?

What is the antidote to this kind of dangerous mindset?

As we pursue the heavenly prize what should our lives look like?

Knowing and growing in the gospel

My Christian ministry is going really well = I am a good Christian = I am a valuable person...

How can we help one another to put our confidence in the right place?

Unity in the gospel

Some members of the 9:20 group are having a very heated discussion about _____ - tempers are high and people are beginning to fall out. Eventually someone blurts out, 'If you don't believe this you're not a Christian!' How should we resolve this conflict?

Proclaiming the gospel

Why do you go to church every Sunday?

Why don't you get drunk?

How can we respond without giving the impression that Christianity is just about a load of rules and rituals?

Adorning the gospel

How can what we learn here enable us to 'stand firm in the Lord'?

What have you learned that will help you 'rejoice in the Lord'?

Rejoice!!