



JOYFUL IN SURE FOOTING
PHILIPPIANS 3:17-21
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I. Introduction

For us to have an impact on the world for Jesus Christ, we must have a single-minded commitment to reach that goal as followers of the Way.

II. Relying on The Examples of Others (v. 17)

- a. Stand firm in imitating Christ
- b. Loving Christ means pursuing Christ's example

III. Recognizing Enemies of the Cross (vv. 18-19)

- a. Disguises abound in subtleties
- b. Antinomianism = no laws to obey

IV. Redesigned As Citizens of Heaven (vv. 20-21)

- a. God's Kingdom people
- b. Refashioned and redesigned by Christ

V. Conclusion

Let's thank God for every single thing that comes your way—He promises to bless you and you will also eliminate the burden that often keeps our spiritual footing uncertain because we have taken our focus off of Christ and put it on our circumstances instead—totally unstable.



CEFC Sermon-Based Growth Group

Week: September 15, 2019

Title: Joyful in Sure Footing

Text: Phil. 3:17-21

Kick Starters...

1. Are you someone who is easily distracted? If so, by what or when?
2. Why do we often have trouble making and keeping priorities in our lives? Share an example from your own life...

Entertain the text

3. Read the text out loud and discuss/list/highlight any significant words or observations. Make notes in your Bible to help you recall anything important to revisit or pray over. Use cross-Scripture texts as is helpful.

Engage the text

4. Why are examples of godly people so important in our lives? Why are they so necessary for our faith to grow?
5. Have you ever been deceived? How? In what way?

6. Why is deception in the church such a big deal and how do we keep ourselves aware of its presence?
7. How can God's grace be misapplied? Why is it so easy to abuse God's grace?
8. Read James 4:4 and consider why James gave this warning for Christians to appreciate in their lives. What are the dangers of such behaviors?

Execute the text

9. As an *already* citizens of Heaven, what does that mean for each of us when we engage our daily lives for Christ? What is our attitude with such a reality?
10. There is an object resource—our Bibles and a subject resource—the Holy Spirit that God has given us. How will we be working with these two resources this week to further our faith?