



# *Philippians* (Lesson # 28 supplement 2 of 3)

## *Philippians 3:1-11 Additional Information*

This additional information is  
to let you know that the two perspectives of Philippians 3:11  
given in these 3 supplements of lesson 28 are,  
in my perspective,

**not two different possibilities,**  
but are instead,  
**one two-sided view of God's thinking.**

- 1. Our becoming the expression of God's thoughts,  
and**
- 2. God's gracious & merciful ways of sharing His thoughts.**



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Scripture colored with connecting lines added

3:1-11 **False and True circumcision explained**

v10 : “that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death”

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

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,**

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 [assuming I am alive or dead when He comes for us] that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead**

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There is **one two-sided view of God's thinking** here



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## Some Additional Observations on these verses

The preceding Scripture reveals;

- 1. Our focus is experientially coming to know Him now, and being found in harmony with His purposes when He comes for us at the rapture.**
- 2. God's focus is that we think His thoughts and enjoy His joy while being in harmony with Him.**

**God wants to greet us with "Well done!".**

Let me try to give this as a summary verbal explanation.

Paul was used to tell us God's way for us to know & reveal Him, so that: when we are found by Him at the Rapture, we will be found to have been His useful instruments of clay.

Paul in v11 says in summary that we may now taste of His life, that we now are new creations of God, having His nature, so we may be His instruments that reveal Christ both to us & through us, even while we still have present in us, the now dethroned nature of Adam.



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**We are now free from the slavery of our old man under our Adamic nature.**

**And based on verses 9 and 10,  
we are now free to be living joyfully, as the servants of God, experiencing;  
His power, His suffering, His growing likeness, even unto death,  
as He living in and through us, shows His nature of love to us and through us.**

**So, are we following Paul & Timothy as examples of faith in God?**

**Do we have this “persuaded by God thinking”?**

**God wants to find us, when He comes, knowing & experiencing Christ alive,  
revealing Himself out of His nature He is now sharing with us.**

**God's design is that we experientially know Him at work in us,  
conforming us to be the maturing, light giving expression of Himself per 2:15.**



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And just to be clear, in v15 God says He will persuade us to have His thinking.

Now, each of us may be, His living expression of love!

How great is His grace and mercy!

**Little is much, when God is in it!**

May I encourage you to be **praying**,  
as fellow servants of Christ,  
that Holly Hills Bible Church  
may be His effective “candlestick”  
of His thinking (as in Rev 2-3)

**Note: Supplement 3** is Dr Earl D. Radmacher’s perspective of these verses, added because his view closely parallels what I have shared here. His explanation of these verses, is on pages 12-16 of supplement 3.