

# THE RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT COMES THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST

## An Exposition of Philippians 3:4-9

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### Sermon Outline

Paul pointed to himself as the ultimate example of a person who had followed the law as the means of being accepted by God. BUT IT ALL AMOUNTED TO NOTHING!

(V4) “I more” or “Game on! If you want to play this game.”

#### **I. A LIST OF PAUL’S CREDENTIALS (v5-6)**

He claimed to possess a superior:

- i. Religious heritage
- ii. National heritage
- iii. Tribal heritage
- iv. Linguistic heritage
- v. Biblical knowledge
- vi. Zeal
- vii. Righteousness

#### **II. ALL ASSETS HAD BECOME LIABILITIES (v7-8)**

Notice first word in v7 “But” – contrast

How? He met Christ!

All that was lost was replaced by something far greater!

1st thought (v7) Greater gain.

2nd thought – (v8a) Greater relationship.

3rd thought – (v8b-9) Greater righteousness.

#### **III. PAUL’S GRAND OBJECTIVE: TO BE FOUND IN HIM (V9)**

Our righteousness will “come from the law”, or “come through faith in Christ”. (v9)

What are you trusting in? Ours is an “alien” righteousness. i.e. Not of ourselves and outside of ourselves, but of Christ.

