



Smoky Hill Vineyard

02.21.10 GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS

PHILIPPIANS 3:1-11

GROUP BUILDER

Share a time when your confidence in Jesus was shaken. How did you overcome the influences that were active in your life at that time?

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What impacted your understanding or challenged you the most from this weekend's message?

REFLECTION (Large Group Discussion)

How do you define "confidence in the flesh"? (verse 4) What do you think Paul meant when he said "we put no confidence in the flesh"? (verse 3).

What is Paul's secret for success? (verse 7-10) How might his perspective shape your thinking? Your actions? What do you think it looks like "to become like Christ in his death"?

Read the following verses and discuss how we share in the fellowship of His sufferings and the power of His resurrection (verse 9-11): Romans 8:12-17; I Peter 2:20; II Timothy 1:-10; Romans 6:4-8; Romans 1:3-5.

APPLICATION (In groups of 3-4)

Paul is looking at things from God's point of view, not man's. He is not upset about the things behind him, around him or before him. Things do not rob him of the JOY of the Lord. His mind is set and focused on Christ.

What changes in your thoughts or priorities would need to happen to take on Paul's perspective?

What might you need to surrender in your past that keeps you from becoming new in Christ?

How do you win the struggle to keep your relationship with Jesus a priority over your relationships with others?

Pray for each other to know the power of Christ's resurrection in your lives now.



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