

Victory in Christ (The Amazing Race) – Lesson 3 Workbook

Finding True Confidence

Three Questions:

1. What are you proud of in your life? _____

2. What can you do well? _____

3. What do you possess that makes you happy? _____

Philippians 3:1-6

1. What are some things that stick out to you in this text? Does anything confuse you?

2. What do you think is Paul's point in this passage? What is he trying to say?

3. Who are the "dogs" Paul mentions?

4. According to this legalistic approach to religion, does Paul qualify to have confidence in his salvation? Why or why not?

Philippians 3:7-11

1. According to verse 7, what does Paul count as a loss?

2. According to verse 8, what does Paul count as a loss?

3. Okay, so Paul counts several things as not so important anymore. Where does his confidence lie?

Everything I Ever Cared About Is In A Box:

Everything I cared about is in a box. When I was 7, it was little league baseball. At the end of the season, we had a watermelon feast and awards party. Each player got a trophy. I'd never been more proud. I put it on my dresser and would stare at it for hours on end.
Now it's in a box.

In 8th grade, it was the Panther of the Year award. It was given to the best student athlete in our grade. In my grade, there were a lot of good athletes, and a lot of good students. I was not the best of either, but I was good enough to be in the running. The awards banquet came and I won the Panther of the Year. It was the biggest trophy I'd ever won, and I loved it.
Now it's in a box.

By college, I had given up baseball and attached myself to basketball. I was not great, but I worked hard at it and did okay. My team was not the best, but we had fun. One year we made it to the Regional Finals game, only to lose. Another year, my last year of playing, I was named to an All-Region team. I had never been named to an all-anything team in my whole life. I was proud, and I planned on getting my award framed. I never got it framed. It's not even hanging on my wall anywhere.
Now it's in a box.

Everything I ever cared about, any prize I've ever won, any medal I've ever achieved, any award I've ever been granted—they're all in a box. The box is in my basement with clothes I've outgrown, flat footballs, tools, and old textbooks.
Everything I cared about is in a box.

Comments about the story:

Homework:

- Memorize Philippians 3:8
- Review memory work from last two weeks, Philippians 1:4-5; Philippians 2:4-5
- List all the people or things that give you satisfaction, make you proud, or provide confidence. Prayerfully consider whether or not you need to stop placing so much value in them, and instead, begin valuing Christ more.