



## **Know Christ**

**Main Scripture:** Phil 3:1-10

**Additional Scriptures:** Jn 17:3; Isa 54; Col 2:11; Jer 9:24-26

### **Discussion Questions**

There is a joy in knowing someone. Shared experiences strengthen bonds in relationships and help us feel valued when someone wants to know us personally. Sadness comes when someone close to us doesn't get us. We feel the separation.

- What is Paul's tone in these passages? What does he want them to do?
- What is his warning and what does he want them to safeguard?
- What strong words does he use in verse two? Why the emphasis?

### **READ Jeremiah 9:24-26**

- What does God rebuke?
- What is God looking for?

### *Religious – Circumcision*

- What did P. Mike mean by, "Jesus, then something else?"
- What was the purpose of Old Testament circumcision?
- What is the sign of New Testament faith in Christ?

### *Know Jesus NOT Religion - Paul's Resume*

- Why does Paul list his heritage and accomplishments?
- What point does he want to drive home?
- How would you describe boasting in the flesh? What happens when you try to justify yourself?

### *Learn to Count*

- What is the contrast that Paul is giving in verses seven through ten?
- As P. Mike was listing the spreadsheet of Gains and Losses, what did you think of that you felt were gains in your life?
- How does knowing Christ become more of a reality in someone's life? How would you describe what that means to you?