

The Greatest News I've Ever Heard **Week 2 – The Advantages of Belonging to Christ**

Philippians 3:7-8 (Amplified Bible)

“⁷ But whatever former things I had that might have been gains to me, I have come to consider as one combined] loss for Christ’s sake. ⁸ Yes, furthermore, I count everything as loss compared to the possession of the priceless privilege (the overwhelming preciousness, the surpassing worth, and supreme advantage) of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord and of progressively becoming more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him [of perceiving and recognizing and understanding Him more fully and clearly]. For His sake I have lost everything and consider it all to be mere rubbish (refuse, dregs), in order that I may win (gain) Christ (the Anointed One),”

We discussed Four Benefits of Knowing Christ.

- 1. I CAN BELIEVE THE BEST WHEN I SEE THE WORST.**
- 2. I CAN DISCOVER MY TRUE IDENTITY WHEN I'VE LOST MY SENSE OF DESTINY.**
- 3. I CAN FORGIVE MYSELF WHEN I HAVE FAILED GOD AND OTHERS.**
- 4. I CAN WALK BY FAITH WHEN I'M TEMPTED TO WALK IN FEAR.**

1. Knowing Jesus More.

2. Peace For Your Mind.

Matthew 11:28. “Then Jesus said, ‘Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.’”

Isaiah 9:6 sums it up this way when talking about Christ. “For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

3. Healing For Your Body and Soul

4. You Have Access to the Power of God.

Acts 10:38 - “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.”