## REJOICE, BEWARE AND WORSHIP Philippians 3:1-3

## **INTRODUCTION:**

Before Paul accepted Christ as his personal Savior - He lived a religious life and was obedient to the law. However, these things did not satisfy him nor give him acceptance with God. Paul had enough morality to keep him out of trouble, but not enough righteousness to get him into heaven. He had to lose his religion to find his salvation. **Religion is of man** – **Christianity is of God - A personal relationship with Christ Jesus.** 

- I. Christians are to Rejoice in the Lord (v. 3a)
  - A. "Rejoice in the Lord"
  - **B.** Heed to the Scripture (v. 3b)
- **II.** Christians are to be Aware of False Teachers (v. 2)
  - Salvation is by Grace Alone -Through Faith Alone In Christ Jesus Alone Plus Nothing and Minus Nothing!

Paul's three descriptions of False Teachers – He warned the Saints at Philippi to be on Guard against False Teachers:

- A. Beware of False Teachers who act like **Dogs** (v. 2)
- B. Beware of False Teachers who are **Evil Workers** (v. 2)
- C. Beware of False Teachers who are of the **Concision** (v. 2)
- III. Christians are to Worship God in the Spirit (v. 3)

Christians are the Circumcision (v. 3) – "For we are the Circumcision"

- A. Christians Worship God in the Spirit (v. 3)
- **B.** Christians Rejoice (Glory) in Christ Jesus (v. 3)
- C. Christians have no Confidence in the Flesh (v. 3)

## **CONCLUSION:**

- A. Christians are to Rejoice in the Lord, Christians are to be Aware of False Teachers and Christians are to Worship God in the Spirit.
- B. We Come, O Christ to You
- C. Salvation is a Gift of God. Not something earned or won; He freely gives eternal life. To all who Trust His Son. (SPER)
- D. The A-B-C of Salvation

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"... the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isa 40:8).