

One Church Series
Week 8 outline
10.13.19
Phil 3:15-21

ONE CHURCH: ONE CITIZENSHIP

"But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ"

I. The One and Only Way to Walk Off the Ladder (vs 15)

A. "think this way..."

- What way? ...The way of Christ our gain (vs 1-14)
 - Jesus provides His new identity, lasting righteousness, and compelling vision.
 - He frees us to climb off the ladder of self-righteousness and walk in His Grace.

B. "God will reveal that also"

- "God will make it plain to you"* NLT
- "God will clear your blurred vision"* MSG

II. The Two Conflicting Ways to Walk In This World

A. As Enemies of the Cross (vs 18-19)

1. End= destruction
2. God= belly
3. Glory= shame
4. Minds= earthly things

B. As Citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven (vs 16-17;20)

How do we walk as Citizens of Heaven, here and now on earth today?

1. Citizens who Walk in Step

- vs 16 - *"Hold true"*...(Live up to)
- Stouxeo: to walk in step, in stride, in cadence
 - as in a military line (pressing on and straining forward)

-Galatians 5:25

"If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit."

YOU ARE CALLED TO WALK
AS A CITIZEN OF HEAVEN WITH JESUS INSIDE YOU

2. Citizens who Walk Together

- vs 17 - *"Join in Imitating"*
- One word in the original language

-correctly: (fellow-imitators) or (co-imitators)

YOU ARE CALLED TO WALK
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH THOSE BESIDE YOU

-the Final Apologetic... [Francis Shaeffer]
jn 13:35

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

3. Citizens who Walk Behind

"with eyes fixed on those who walk"

YOU ARE CALLED TO WALK
IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THOSE AHEAD OF YOU

4. Citizens who Walk Ahead

"of the example you have in us"

YOU ARE CALLED TO WALK
AS PACESETTERS FOR THOSE BEHIND YOU

III. The Three Relationships that Will Help Keep Us Walking with Jesus

1. Who am I walking with?
2. Who am I walking behind?
3. Who am I walking ahead of?

SO WALK...
AS A CITIZEN OF HEAVEN WITH JESUS INSIDE YOU
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH THOSE BESIDE YOU
IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THOSE AHEAD OF YOU
AND AS A PACESETTER FOR THOSE BEHIND YOU