Northwest Bible Church – May 21st, 2017 – Worship Service – Jeremy Malone

**Philippians 3:1-11**

*Be Found in Him*

Intro

**I. RIGHTEOUSNESS FOUND IN THE LAW (Vs. 6; “Walkthrough” of Rom. 1:1-3:9).**

*A. None—neither Jew, nor Gentile—are righteous in the sight of God.*

*B. All—both Jew and Gentile—are accountable to God by creation, conscience, and Law.*

*C. All—both Jew and Gentile—can be saved by faith in Jesus Christ.*

**II. JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH (Rom. 3:21-24, 26, 28-30; 4:1-8, 22).**

*A. God’s righteousness is...*

*1. Granted by faith to all who believe.*

*2. Credited to our account.*

*B. What is justification and how is it accredited as righteousness?*

**III. GAIN, LOSS, AND RUBBISH (Phil. 3:7-8d).**

**IV. BE FOUND IN HIM (Phil. 3:8e-9).**

*A. “So that I may gain Christ” (8e).*

*B. “And be found in Him” (9a).*

*1. “Not having a righteousness of my own derived from the law” (9b).*

*2. “But that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith” (9c).*

Conclusion: THEOLOGICAL/SOTERIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE—*Christ is the end of the struggle!*

*Questions for small groups/meditation:*

*1. What “dung” do we like to hold on to that we need to encourage each other to let go of?*

*2. What is the importance of having the righteousness of Christ?*

*3. How can recognizing that we have Christ’s righteousness help us to grow in our relationship with God? With others? With how we think of ourselves?*