

Welcome to



a community loving God and loving people.

3. Do I really want to play the **CREDENTIAL** game? (v. 4-6)

4. Could my attitude of self-righteousness actually be **PERSECUTING** others? (v. 6a)

5. What am I holding onto *in my mind* as **WORTHY**? (v. 7-8)

ἡγέομαι **hēgéomai** - to lead, metaphorically to lead out before the mind, to think, to consider, to view, regard, esteem, count, reckon

σκύβαλον **skúbalon**; something thrown to the dogs, which is from kusí, dat. pl. of kúōn dog, and bállō to cast. dregs, refuse, what is thrown away as worthless. Spoken of the refuse of grain, chaff, or of a table, of slaughtered animals, of dung, and figuratively of the filth of the mind. meaning refuse, things that are worthless (only in 3:8)

6. Is my right living more **CHRIST ONLY** or **CHRIST PLUS**? (v. 9)

7. What is the outflow of my faith in Christ?
 - a. my **RELATIONSHIP** with Jesus? (v. 10a)
 - b. the **POWER** to really live? (v. 10b)
 - c. more **GOD-WILLED** than **SELF-WILLED**? (v. 10c)
 - d. **FOCUSED** on my future resurrection? (v. 11)

We're So Glad You're Here!

We plan to celebrate Christ's love for seventy-five minutes tonight and we hope you'll sing, pray, laugh and learn along with us. Are you worried about the rules - when to stand, when to sit, what to say? Don't be! We've worked hard to make our time together just like family. So sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're definitely among friends here at Church Requel.

Tonight: The Great Exchange

Tonight we'll study Philippians 3:1-11. We gladly trade the refuse of our right living for the righteousness found in Christ. Why is it so easy to forget this in practical, every day living? We'll examine 7 key questions we should be asking about our faith in Christ.

Next Week: Finishing Well

Pastor Todd Pierce (our pastor's brother) will be coming and sharing this most important message. Many start off well in the Christian faith. But how many of us finish well? We'll learn 4 keys to persisting in our faith. Join Pastor Mark in the congregation next Sunday night!

Info Card

Would you do us the favor of filling out the green Info Card from top to bottom? We will keep you posted on what's happening at Church Requel. Drop off your card in one of the offering baskets as you exit. Thanks!

White Donation Envelope

We appreciate your worship by giving tithes and offerings to support the ministry of Church Requel. Use the white envelope in your program and drop in one of the offering baskets on your way out.

Prayer Requests and Praises

Do you have something you'd like us to pray about? After our communion time, we'd be happy to pray for your need. Fill out the peach prayer request card and drop it on the communion table up front.

Music for Tonight

Here's the lineup for tonight's service in case you want to find the music for your own worship:

- "Look What You've Done"
- "For Who You Are"
- "Jesus Lord of Heaven"
- "Grace Like Rain"

Grace-filled Dad

This will be a huge week for me as I'm now preparing my heart and my soul to walk my little girl down the wedding aisle next Saturday. I've been thinking much about what I would want for my daughter. Certainly I want her to know love. We all want that for our children. However, as a married man for almost thirty years, I know that sometimes love alone doesn't cut it - at least not the mushy, "feely", emotional kind of love we tend to think of. What I want for Jillian is grace - to know it, to receive it and to share it. I want her to live in an atmosphere of forgiveness and acceptance, to grow in her certainty and confidence of her husband's love for her.



It occurred to me this week as I was preparing for tonight's sermon that God is that way with us, isn't he? He walks us down the aisle of life and tells us that He wants us to know love and grace and mercy. He gives us away to become the people who love others, who forgive others, who accept others. He never holds us back but encourages us to become all we can be. Yet He never leaves us. He's always in relationship with us.

And no matter what, He never ever stops loving on us. I can't imagine not loving my children, not forgiving them, not extending grace to them. But my love doesn't hold a candle to the way our heavenly Father feels about us.

Regardless of what your earthly "Dad" experience has been, know that your heavenly Dad loves you and extends unmerited favor upon you simply because you are his child. I hope you experience this "Grace-filled Dad" in your own life this week! Pastor Mark

Communion Tonight

Tonight we will celebrate communion together. If you know Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, you may share this communion celebration with us. You do not need to be a member of our church. When we come to this time in our service, you may take a piece of bread and a cup back to your seat. Eat the bread and drink from the cup individually when you are ready to do so, remembering the sacrifice Jesus made for you.

Are You a Musician or Singer?

If you know how to play a musical instrument or if you know how to

sing AND if you have a heart to worship Christ, we want you on our team! We are conducting rehearsals now every Wednesday evening here at OCF. If you would like to be a part of this worship ministry, please call Nate Williams at 419-989-9313

Children's Ministry

Children up through Kindergarten have their own classroom for the entire service. Elementary age children will be dismissed to their class midway through the service. Watch for the dismissal during our announcements this evening.

The Great Exchange



¹ Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you. ² Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. ³ For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— ⁴ though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 3:1-11 ESV

Seven Questions to Ponder This Week

1. Do I view God as a **RULE-MAKER** or as a **GRACE-GIVER**? (v. 1-2)

Here's another way of looking at this. Where's the "NOT"?

GRACE - getting what I do NOT deserve.

MERCY - NOT getting what I do deserve.

RELIGION - getting what I do deserve.

2. Is my confidence in **MYSELF** or in **CHRIST**? (v. 3)