



MONDAY

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SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:7-11

7 I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done.⁸ Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ⁹ and become one with him. I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith.¹⁰ I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I want to suffer with him, sharing in his death,¹¹ so that one way or another I will experience the resurrection from the dead!

Questions for Consideration:

- If something has been sacrificed, how can it still live?
- Do you need to abandon reason to become a Christian?
- Calvin instructs that the surest to path destruction is for a person to make himself lord of his own life. Can this danger be eliminated once and for all, or must it be confronted regularly?

Prayer:

O HOLY SPIRIT, we surrender to you all our members. Make them to be instruments of your righteousness. We bring to you our hearts, impure and blemished though they be; wash them in the blood of Christ, and sanctify them to be your temple wherein you reign. Fill us with living faith, grace, and love. May we live henceforward according to your Word and obey in all things your voice. May this be our true worship and thanksgiving. Amen

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