
PHILIPPIANS
INDOMITABLE JOY
NOVEMBER 15, 2026

WELCOME

The Bible tells us that God's desire is for us to find our greatest joy in Him and that He desires for us to share this experience with others. So naturally, at RCC it is our mission to encourage people to **Enjoy God Together!**

Want To Know More?

We are so thrilled that you decided to join us this Sunday! If you'd like to learn more about who we are and what we believe, **scan the QR code for more info & registration:**

GIVING UPDATE

Thank you to all of you for investing in RCC's vision and community. As of 11/11/26, our giving vs. budget is:

	November 2026	Fiscal YTD
Forecasted Giving	$255,000	$978,500
Actual Giving	$140,786	$1,403,399
Deficit/Excess Generosity	--	$424,899

At RCC, we believe that giving comes as natural, joyous outpouring of worship for what God has done, is doing, and will do in our lives. So whatever is received, we are grateful and truly believe God is honored through our giving.

Marriage Refresher



Marriage Refresher with Gil & Brenda Stuart

Your marriage shapes how you connect with your spouse and how you show up in every other part of life. Whether you're newlyweds, oldlyweds, blended, remarried, or anywhere in between, this gathering meets you where you are and encourages growth in every season.

This year we're thrilled to welcome Gil and Brenda Stuart of Brush Prairie, Washington. With 21+ years of working with married and remarried couples, Gil (Master's in Counseling) and Brenda (Life Coaching Certification) bring a uniquely impactful counselor/coach and husband/wife perspective.

You'll be encouraged to:

- Build stronger connection and communication
- Apply practical, biblical principles every day
- Work through conflict with clarity and grace
- Reconnect around shared values and faith

When: Feb 19-20 | Friday, 7-9pm | Saturday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm
Dinner Friday and lunch Saturday included

Cost: $100 per couple | Childcare: $10 per child
Scholarships available

More info & Registration: scan the QR code or visit
https://richfieldcc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3869804

SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

Philippians 3:9b-11

...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.

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When Following Jesus Isn't What We Expected
Philippians 3:9b-11
Mark McCormick - November 15, 2026

1. The Starting Point: Salvation Isn't Earned; It's Received (v. 9b)

2. The Surprising Turn: The Part We'd Rather Skip (v. 10)

3. The Response: Learning to Know Christ in Our Suffering (vv. 10–11)
   - Lean into Christ rather than pulling away from Him.
   - Keep eternity in view.

4. The Challenge: Letting God Use Our Suffering

Big Idea: Sometimes the very circumstances we want God to change are the ones He uses to help us know Christ more deeply.

NOTES:

Life Group Discussion Questions

Philippians 3:9b-11

For the week of November 15, 2026

Big Idea: *Paul's deepest desire is "that I may know him": not just knowing about Christ, but knowing Him in "the power of his resurrection" and in "his sufferings," with the sure hope that he will "attain the resurrection from the dead."*

Observe: What Does It Say?

1. Paul counts everything as "rubbish" so that he may "gain Christ" (v. 8). Then he sets two kinds of righteousness side by side: " a righteousness of my own" and "the righteousness from God" (v. 9). What's the difference between these two kinds of righteousness?
2. Count how many times Paul says "him" or "his" in verses 9–11. What can we learn from Paul's repeated use of these words in these verses?
3. Verses 10–11 begin and end with resurrection, with "his sufferings" and "his death" in the middle. Why might Paul place suffering between two mentions of resurrection?

Interpret: What does it mean?

1. What is the difference between knowing about Jesus and actually knowing Him? Why would Paul, who had walked with Christ for years, still say "that I may know him" (v. 10)?
2. Paul wants to "share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death" (v. 10). Why would Paul want this? How might sharing in Christ's sufferings help him "know him" more deeply (v. 10)?
3. Paul says "by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead" (v. 11). Is Paul unsure about his salvation? What does Paul mean and not mean by saying this?

Apply: What does this look like lived out?

1. What competes with your desire to know Christ right now? What's one small tweak you can make in your routine this week to pursue Him more intentionally?
2. Where are you struggling or suffering right now? How might God be using it to make you more like Christ?
3. How does the hope of the resurrection change the way you face hard things? How can we share that hope with others who are struggling as well?

GET CONNECTED

Fill out our online connection card

We will touch base with you and see how we can help you become connected with our community!

JOIN A LIFE GROUP

Life is better in community

Together, we dig into the Word, unpack sermons, encourage one another and enjoy God together! Scan the code to learn more and get plugged in.

MEET THE STAFF

Get to know the team at RCC

Together, the staff serves to support RCC and to walk alongside our congregation with humility, prayer, and purpose.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

There's always something going on at RCC!

Scan the code to see all of our upcoming events so you can join in on the fun!

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