



Finding "OUR" Story

Philippians 3

No Identity, No Individualism

...but whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ.

Phil 3:7



In Christ we find our Story

2 Corinthians 5:17
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away, and look, new things have come.



Knowing "Our" Story

vs 2-5 — Paul understood who he was before Christ

vs 6-9 — Confrontation - Who God is/who He is not!

vs 10 — No longer my plans - He was forced to be led rather than taking the lead! Blinded, taken by the hand to Damascus.

Surrender = Trust



Knowing "Our" Story

vs 11-16 — Trust must equal action and obedience

vs 17-21 — As we obey we find our purpose and mission!



1- Our Story is not about us!

For I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me - Gal 2:20 NIV



2. Our Story is worth telling!

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. Romans 1:16 NIV

Owning Our Story

3. Our Story is not finished!

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Phil 3:12-14 NIV



Testimony

"Withhold no part of the precious truth, but speak what you know and declare what you have seen. Do not allow the toil or darkness or possible unbelief of your friends to dissuade you. Let us rise and march to the place of duty, and there declare what great things God has shown to our soul."

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