

“Surprised by Joy”—An Exposition of the Book of Philippians
Session Twelve: Philippians 3:1-6
April 10, 2024

Introduction:

- Title of Class—C.S. Lewis’ book title
- Circumstances/Purpose of the Apostle
 - “imprisonment”
 - “joy,” “rejoice”
- **Text for Tonight: 3:1-6 “Prepare for Battle”**

I. Two Essential Attitudes

- a. A Gentle _____ (Joy)
- i. A Clear _____
- “Finally...”
- ii. A Consistent _____ to _____
1. “rejoice” (1:18²; 2:17,18,28; **3:1**; **4:4²**) 4 times commanded! (8 times total)
 2. “joy” (1:4,25; 2:2,17,18,29; 4:1) 7 times
- b. An Urgent _____ (Vigilance)
- i. Key Word: _____ 3 Times
- ii. A _____ Enemy
1. “the _____”
 2. “the _____”

iii. “the _____”

c. A _____ Error

i. The teaching of the _____

- Galatians 5:1-4
- Jesus + _____ + _____

ii. The result of this teaching

- Galatians 5:2,4
- Galatians 1:8,9

iii. A harsh but accurate _____

- “Beware of the _____” (NKJV,LSB)

II. One Essential _____

The Doctrine of _____

Typified by _____

- Genesis 17
- Deuteronomy 10:16
- Deuteronomy 30:4
- Jeremiah 4:4
- Romans 2:29
- Philippians 3:3
- Colossians 2:11,12
- John 3