



Discovery Understanding Application

## Take Home Principle







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#### No Confidence in the Flesh

Further, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you. 2 Watch out for those dogs, those evildoers, those mutilators of the flesh. 3 For it is we who are the circumcision, we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh—

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4 though I myself have reasons for such confidence.

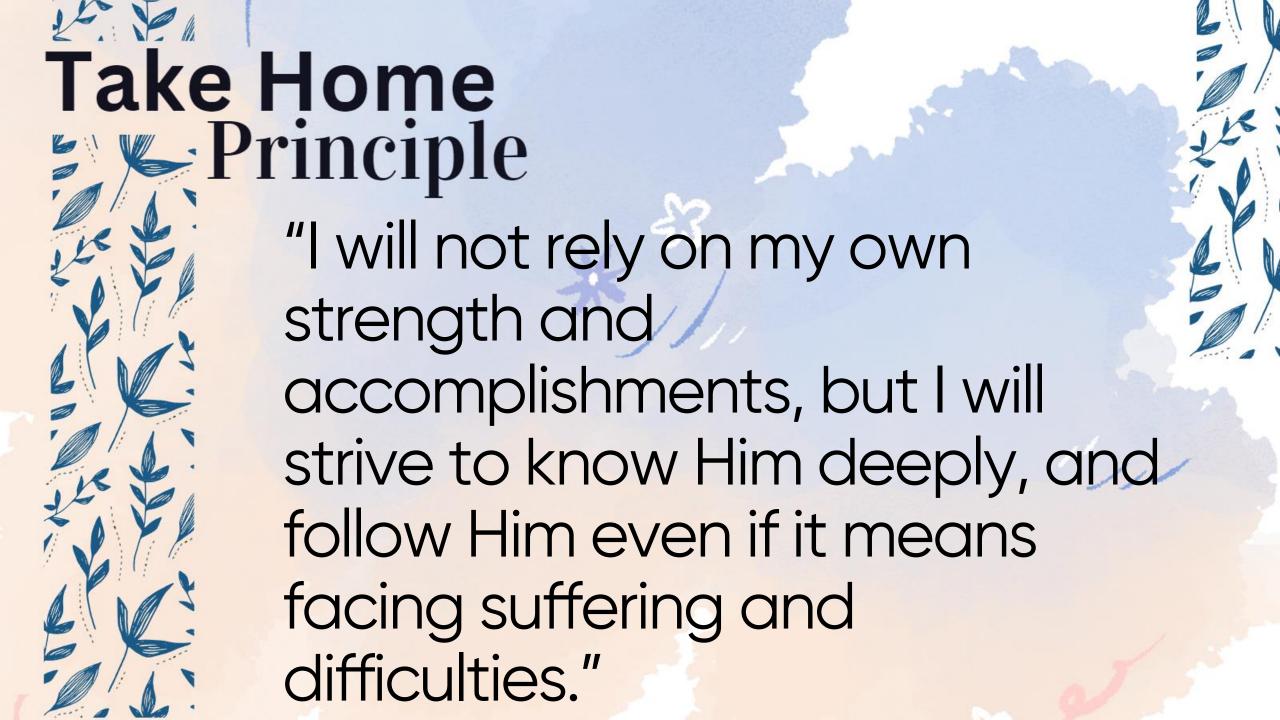
If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

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7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ

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9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in[a] Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. 10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.







# What did Paul consider as of no value? What did Paul consider valuable?



Paul reminded his audience in verse 3 by affirming three facets as believers. What are these?



### Does "knowing God" entail suffering?

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Does knowing God in verses 9-11 mean denying/erasing all (experiences, education, accomplishments, relationships) that are part/related to our life prior to our following Christ?

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In verse 10, knowing Christ connotes knowing the power of His resurrection, participating in His suffering and becoming like Him in His death and "somehow attaining the resurrection of the dead." What does "knowing the power of His resurrection," "participating in His suffering," "becoming like Him in His death" and "somehow attaining the resurrection of the dead" mean?



# What are some things that you are tempted to value more than your relationship with Christ?



## Based on verses 7-8, does your perspective toward this world need to change? If so, how?



On a scale from 1 to 10 (10 being the highest), how do you fare in knowing Christ (remember, knowing Christ is different from knowing about Christ). How can you make knowing Christ the utmost priority and most important thing in your life? Reflect, and share with the group.

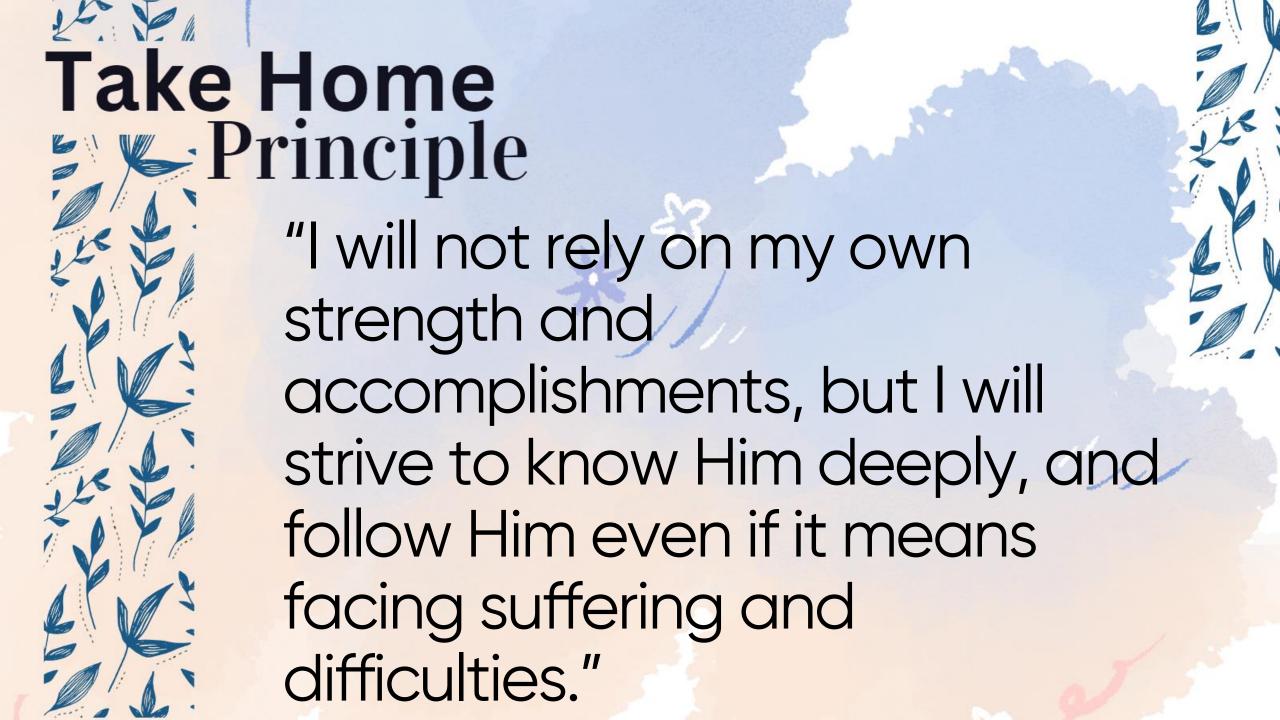


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### Small Group Sessions CLOSING PRAYER







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Worship Service Schedule: 9am

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