



“Wannabe”

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Philippians 3:17-4:1, p. 820

“Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.” - Charles Caleb Colton, 1820

What kind of person are we to imitate?

1. Live your life in alignment with the **cross of Christ**.
(Philippians 3:18-19)
 - What does an **enemy of the cross** look like? (Philippians 3:19)

2. Live your life in alignment with the **second coming of Christ**.
(Philippians 3:20-21)
 - What are the perks of our heavenly citizenship?
 - i. We have a **place to belong**
 - ii. We have a **Savior to vindicate**
 - iii. We have a **Sovereign to rule justly**
 - iv. We have an **eternal health care plan**

THE ONE THING:

Live like you are a citizen of heaven!

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Philippians 3:20-21.
- Write a note of gratitude.
- Identify who may be imitating you.
- Other_____

NOTES FOR PERSONAL & GROUP STUDY

KEEPING IT REAL

1 Did you have a hero or mentor when you were young? When you were older did you pattern yourself after a teacher, a parent or a mentor? Please share one of your hero or heroine stories.

LOOK AT THE BOOK

2 According to Philippians 3:17-21, who are we to follow as an example? Could you say to someone else, “follow my example?” Who is Paul emotionally warning us not follow as an example? Who else does he add to the list (Ephesians 2:11-12; Galatians 5:13-18; 2 Timothy 3:6-11)?

3 What does Paul mean by saying that our citizenship is in heaven? How does this compare to Hebrews 12:22-24? Read 2 Peter 1:13-15 and 2 Corinthians 5:4-9. What does it mean we are living in tents by comparison? How does the fact that our citizenship is not here but in heaven motivate you?

TAKING IT FURTHER

4 Christ, by His resurrection power, will literally (Philippians 3:21) transform our bodies to be like His glorious resurrection body. How will you cooperate with the Holy Spirit in this process until the day this transformation becomes reality (Romans 12:1-2)?

WORSHIP LYRICS

If you'd like to spend more time with the lyrics from any of the songs this morning, please click on the song title below to continue worshipping.

[God of Wonders](#)

[Holy Spirit](#)

[Wonderful Merciful Savior](#)

[Kings of Kings](#)

[Even So Come](#)

[Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me](#)