

I. Knowing Christ

- A. Revealed knowledge
- B. Experiential knowledge
- C. Knowledge that is “now” and “not yet”
- D. Knowledge that radically relativizes every privilege or accomplishment

II. The righteousness of Christ

- A. Knowing Christ
- B. Gaining Christ
- C. Being found in him
- D. How? not by my own righteousness
- E. The righteousness which is because of the faithfulness of Christ
- F. Received by faith

III. The power of Christ's resurrection

- A. The power by which God raised Christ from the dead (Colossians 1:29; 2:12; Ephesians 1:19-20; Romans 1:4)
- B. And which the Holy Spirit now works in us and through us (Colossians 1:11; Ephesians 3:7, 16, 20)
- C. Setting the crucified and risen Lord before us (Psalm 16:8; 2 Corinthians 3:18)
- D. Stirring our hearts in response (Ezekiel 36:26; Romans 5:5; Galatians 4:6)
- E. Causing our words and works of kingdom witness to be effective (Isaiah 55:11)

IV. The fellowship of Christ's sufferings

- A. Participation in his sufferings, being conformed to the shape of his death (Mark 10:38; John 21:18-19a; Acts 9:16; Luke 9:23)
- B. Sharing in the suffering of Christ

V. Our path to the promised resurrection

- A. Is Paul not sure that he will be raised? No. (Romans 6:5; 1 Corinthians 15; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-16)
- B. A gift of grace, and a plan for life.