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(2) Watch out for the dogs, watch out for the evil workers, watch out for those who mutilate the flesh. (3) For we are the circumcision, the ones who worship by the Spirit of God, boast in Christ Jesus, and do not put confidence in the flesh -

(4) although I have reasons for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he has grounds for confidence in the flesh, I have more: (5) circumcised the eighth day; of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; regarding the law, a Pharisee; (6) regarding zeal, persecuting the church; regarding the righteousness that is in the law, blameless.

(7) But everything that was a gain to me, I have considered to be a loss because of Christ. (8) More than that, I also consider everything to be a loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. Because of him I have suffered the loss of all things and consider them as dung, so that I may gain Christ (9) and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own from the law, but one that is through faith in Christ -- the righteousness from God based on faith.

(10) My goal is to know him and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his sufferings, being conformed to his death, (11) assuming that I will somehow reach the resurrection from among the dead. (12) Not that I have already reached the goal or am already perfect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

(13) Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead, (14) I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God's heavenly call in Christ Jesus. (15) Therefore, let all of us who are mature think this way. And if you think differently about anything, God will reveal this also to you. (16) In any case, we should live up to whatever truth we have attained.

- *Philippians 3:2-16* (Christian Standard Bible)

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(26) Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness. They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, the whole earth, and the creatures that crawl on the earth." (27) So God created man in his own image; he created him in the image of God; he created them male and female.

– *Genesis 1:26-27 CSB*

Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man (ADAM) when they were created.

- *Genesis 5:2*

(26) "From one man he has made every nationality to live over the whole earth and has determined their appointed times and the boundaries of where they live. (27) "He did this so that they might seek God, and perhaps they might reach out and find him, though he is not far from each one of us.

– *Acts 17:26-27 CSB*