



# Mariner's **DISCOVERY Church**

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Program for Sunday, March 22, 2020

## Announcements:

- Due to the Covid 19, there will be NO mid-week bible study on Wednesday. If you would like a copy of the bible study questions, please contact Pastor Larry: PastorLarry2020@gmail.com . By a week from next Wednesday, we should have a technology solution for us to use the internet or the phone for assembling and having bible study. Details will also be posted on the website.
- MDC all Church Business meeting was cancelled last week and will be held at a future date when the Congregation can meet together again face to face. There will be 2 weeks of announcement before the meeting.
- Thank you for your financial support of MDC, especially during these times. Please contact the church for ways you can continue to give.
- Please contact us for any needs, suggestions, comments, or prayer requests:  
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Friday devotional: Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Last week: Philippians 3:1-3 Hallmarks of non-Christians and Christians:

### ***Non-Christians:***

- Jesus plus tradition for salvation.
- Jesus plus works for salvation.
- Jesus plus personal sacrifice for salvation.

### ***Christians:***

- Joy.
- Inward faith.
- Worship.
- Glory to Jesus.
- Humility.

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fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; 11 in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you; 16 however, let us keep living by that same standard to which we have attained.

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#### Salvation: What does not work:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jew by birth:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Family.</li></ul></li><li>• Ritual:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• “Eighth dayer.”</li></ul></li><li>• Israel:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Race.</li></ul></li><li>• Benjamin:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elite heritage.</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hebrew:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tradition.</li></ul></li><li>• Pharisee:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Religion.</li></ul></li><li>• Zeal:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sincerity.</li></ul></li><li>• Blameless.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Righteousness earned.</li></ul></li></ul>
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#### Salvation: My Decision

- Count those things as loss.
  - Not a positive. Not a neutral. They are a negative.
  - They are a deception, illusion.
  - Rich young ruler versus Apostle Paul:
- Count all things as loss.
  - Anything other than trusting Jesus as Savior and Lord is fruitless.

- Matthew 16:25-26 "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26 "For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Salvation: My Gain

- Knowledge of Jesus Christ.
  - Surpassing value of all else (great exchange).
  - They are a deception, illusion.
  - Rich young ruler versus Apostle Paul.
  - Everything else is rubbish.
- Righteousness with God from God.
- Power of Jesus Christ.
- Fellowship with Jesus Christ.
- Glory to Jesus Christ.

So, What now?

- We are called to grow.
  - 2 Peter 3:18a but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- Difference between forensic declaration and experiential declaration.
- Have not obtained complete maturity.
  - Complete maturity is Jesus.
- Grasp that for which I have been grasped.

So, What now? In pursuit:

- Divinely inspired discontent.
- God is at work in me, I need to work (pursue).
- Provides focus.
- Provides the motivation spiritually (the prize).
- God provides His Spirit in that effort.
  - If not think this way, God will reveal.

Takeaways

<p>Doesn't work for Salvation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family.</li> <li>• Ritual.</li> <li>• Race.</li> <li>• Heritage.</li> <li>• Tradition.</li> <li>• Religion.</li> <li>• Sincerity.</li> <li>• Good works.</li> </ul>	<p>Salvation: My Gain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of Jesus</li> <li>• Righteousness of God</li> <li>• Power of Jesus</li> <li>• Fellowship with Jesus</li> <li>• Glory to Jesus</li> </ul>	<p>What now?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Called to grow.</li> <li>• We are not mature... yet,</li> <li>• I have been grasped, I grasp,</li> <li>• Divinely inspired discontent.</li> <li>• God works. I work.</li> <li>• Focus.</li> <li>• Spiritual motivation.</li> <li>• Holy Spirit helps.</li> </ul>
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**Why: Relationship with Jesus, through it all!**