



November 1, 2020  
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## **Citizens of God's Kingdom** Philippians 3:20 - 4:2

### **We are citizens of God's Kingdom above all others** Philippians 3:20

*"For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ"*

- Ephesians 2:19– "So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household."
- Matthew 6:33-34– "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you. So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."
- Matthew 6:10– "Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

### **Jesus subjects all things under His rule** Philippians 3:21

*"who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself."*

- John 18:36– Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews (Jewish leaders); but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm."

### **Therefore, stand firm in the Lord** Philippians 4:1

*"Therefore, my beloved brethren whom I long to see, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, my beloved."*

- 2 Corinthians 5:20– "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."

### **Therefore, live in harmony with one another** Philippians 4:2

*"I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord."*

- Hebrews 12:28a– "Therefore, since we receive a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude..."
- 1 Timothy 2:1-3– "First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior."

### **RESPONSE:**

- Submit to God as your one and only King.
- Vote early so you can fast and pray on election day.
- Participate in Seek Week - back to back nights of county-wide prayer on November 4 & 5. Learn more and sign up to take part in these online prayer gatherings at [calvarylife.org/seekweek](http://calvarylife.org/seekweek)

# Digging Deeper

## PHILIPPIANS 3:20-4:2

### 1 Preparation

If possible, find a quiet and comfortable place. Rid yourself of distractions such as your phone, television, school work, interruptions from others, etc. Open yourself to God and intend to learn from Him. *"Lord, here I am, I present myself to You. Open my heart to the truth of what is going on in my life."*

### 2 Read the Text: Philippians 3:20-4:2

Read the text a few times until you have a clear understanding of what the passage is saying.

### 3 Contemplate + Journal

Spend time thinking about and journaling your thoughts to the following questions. If you meet with a LifeGroup, you can also share your responses with them and have a great discussion.

- What is a word or phrase the Lord impressed on you in this time? Meditate on that.
- When you hear Paul say, "we are citizens of heaven," what comes up in your heart and mind? Ask the Lord, "Lord, what do you want to say to me about this?"
- As the election draws near, how and what do you feel? Pray through this for a moment.

### 4 Praise + Worship

Worship is an act or mindset shift that realigns us to the reality of who God is. Find this song on Spotify, YouTube, AppleMusic, etc. and the lyrics if you would like to read or sing along. Make this song your prayer and declaration of praise and worship as you hear truths being sung over you. Allow the Lord to minister to your heart in this time.

**Song Recommendation:** ["Cornerstone" by Hillsong Worship](#)

### 5 Closing Prayer

Spend some time in prayer. Whether it is simply sitting in God's loving presence, expressing thankfulness and gratitude, and/or offering up supplication, pray what is on your heart in this time.

### 6 Blessing

*May you know that you are a citizen of heaven, where Jesus Christ lives. And as we eagerly await His return, may you know that He is with you wherever you go.* [Philippians 3:20](#) & [Joshua 1:9b](#)

## NEXT STEPS

**Your Response Today:** Do you want to take a next step in your faith, ask for prayer, or learn more about following Jesus? Take a moment to fill out our online connection card by texting “**Card**” to **970-00**

**Connect in a LifeGroup:** Grow in community together this fall with others from Calvary. There will be some groups meeting online, as well as smaller off-campus groups meeting in-person. Browse groups to join, or consider helping to start a new group by filling out the Leader Interest Form at [calvarylife.org/groups](http://calvarylife.org/groups)

**Discover More:** Learn about ways you can connect to life at Calvary including weekly pastoral updates and online events, find resources to receive care and help through this season, and discover how we are reaching out with the good news of Jesus locally and globally at [CalvaryLife.org](http://CalvaryLife.org)

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## RESOURCES

**Connect Online Midweek:** Engage with life at Calvary each day of the week through livestream and on-demand content, plus social media posts by following us on Facebook and Instagram [@calvarylife](https://www.instagram.com/calvarylife)

**Family Activities:** Find ways to help your kids grow through fun activities to build their faith each Sunday and throughout the week with great resources provided by Calvary Town at [calvarylife.org/town](http://calvarylife.org/town)

**Find Help or Give Help:** Do you need assistance or encouragement in this season? Or, do you want to get involved and be available to help others in need? Find ways to receive help or give help at [calvarylife.org/help](http://calvarylife.org/help)

**Ways to Give:** Your generosity and faithfulness is making a difference locally and globally! You can give today using the Offering Boxes available by the doors in the Worship Center and Chapel, or give online at [calvarylife.org/give](http://calvarylife.org/give)

**Corner Books + Coffee:** At the Corner, we believe a good book can change a life, especially God's Word. So, every purchase provides an opportunity to help fuel Bible distribution locally and translation globally. **Coffee Cart volunteers are needed for Sunday mornings!** Interested in helping? Call 714.550.2459 or email [rharris@calvarylife.org](mailto:rharris@calvarylife.org)

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## SONG LYRICS

### O Praise The Name

I cast my mind to Calvary, Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet, My Saviour on that cursed tree  
His body bound and drenched in tears, They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone

**Chorus:** O praise the Name of the Lord our God, O praise His Name forevermore

For endless days we will sing Your praise, Oh Lord oh Lord our God  
Then on the third at break of dawn, The Son of heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting, The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white, The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints, My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

## Alleluia

Father we have come, To bow down in worship, Lifting up our hearts, We bow down in praise

**Chorus:** Alleluia, Lover of my soul, Alleluia, With all of heaven we are singing  
(With all of heaven we are singing), (With all of heaven we are singing)

Bright and morning star, Your eyes blaze like fire, Shining like the sun, You're our one desire  
All the angels cry out holy is the Lord (God), All the earth replies holy are You  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Holy are You

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## Way Maker

You are here moving in our midst, I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place, I worship You I worship You

**Chorus:** (You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart, I worship You I worship You  
You are here healing ev'ry heart, I worship You I worship You

You are here turning lives around, I worship You I worship You  
You are here mending ev'ry heart, I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

**Tag:** That is who You are, That is who You are, That is who You are, That is who You are

**Bridge:** Even when I don't see it You're working, Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working, You never stop You never stop working

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## In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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