

OUR CITIZENSHIP IS IN HEAVEN

March 8, 2020 Philippians 3:15-21

Philippi was a Roman colony. “**But our citizenship is in heaven.**” “I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus (Phil. 3:14).” The goal is knowing Jesus. The prize for knowing and serving Jesus is heaven. Our **citizenship is in heaven:**

1. What is heaven? What is heaven like?

- Heaven is God’s home where God reigns. Revelation 21:3
- It is a place where there is no tears, no death, no pain, no darkness, no night. Rev. 21:4, 21:22-26
- A place of worship, joy, peace & love. It is the perfect home, a safe place.
- The place where you get your transformed body. Phil. 3:21

2. Your passport to heaven

- What is a passport? It is a travel document issued by your country that certifies your identity and nationality. You have to have your own.
- You get it at Calvary by being born again. Acts 4:12, Eph. 2:8-9, John 3:3,5
- We get a new nature & a new passport, with a gold star on it.

3. How to live as a citizen of heaven

- Think: I’m not home yet. Live heavenly, not earthly. Phil. 3:18-19
- You need the right attitude (mind set). Phil. 2:5, 3:15-16
- Who taught you? Paul wrote to follow his model/example. 3:17
- Set the right example. Phil. 3:17 Can you say, “Follow me?”
- Use the authority you have in Christ.
- “ We eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control...” 3:20-21