

Living as Citizens of Heaven

Sunday March 28 2021

Series: Living Above the Noise

First Sunday in Our New Ministry Center

*“But our citizenship is in heaven,
and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,”
Philippians 3:20 ESV*

I. I Must Choose to be a Citizen of Heaven

“Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, ”

Philippians 1:27a ESV

The Gospel

“Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

1 Corinthians 15:1–4 ESV

“because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.”

Romans 10:9–10 ESV

The Gospel Applied

“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.”

Ephesians 4:32 ESV

Which Citizenship am I Living Out?

“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

Matthew 6:24 ESV

“Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God.”

Philippians 1:27–28 ESV

II. Three Practices of a Citizen of Heaven

1. Commitment to Other Believers at Living Hope

“so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit,”
Philippians 1:27b ESV

-Deal with Issues Biblically

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.”
Matthew 18:15 ESV

2. Involved in the Ministry of Living Hope

“with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel,”
Philippians 1:27 ESV

3. Biblically Prepared for Opposition

“and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God.”
Philippians 1:28 ESV

“For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.”
Philippians 1:29–30 ESV

Today, Will I Choose to Be a Citizen of Heaven?

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