



## A LIFE WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL

*Philippians 1:27-5*

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This morning as we come away from the SBC Convention this week, I would like to share a sense of direction for Baptists but ever more, a call to men on this Father's Day, to live a life worthy of the gospel. We need to truthfully identify our terms of gender with a biblical worldview while realizing the contrary view of the culture for men and women. If a person is a created, biological woman by biblical definition, not by personal identification, that has either masculine or feminine tendencies of personality, you are called to live worthy of of the gospel. If you are a created, biological man by biblical definition, not personal identification, that has either masculine or feminine tendencies of personality, you are called to live worthy of of the gospel. We separate ourselves from the world's definition of identity and saturate ourselves in God's Word definition of identity, which commands "conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ" confirms this.

### **Philippians 1:27-2:5**

"Only let your manner of life be worthy[a] 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, **28** 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. **29** 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, **30** engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have."

**2** So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, **2** complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. **3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. **4** Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. **5** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus"

### **1. Believers are Commanded to LIVE in a Manner WORTHY of the GOSPEL. (v 27)**

*"Followers of Christ are not Americans first. Our first allegiance is to Jesus, and then to the God-inspired word of Scripture, the Bible. This is our charter, not the U.S. Constitution." John Piper*

*"so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God" Colossians 1:10*

- Humans are FORMED by God on EARTH.
- Humans are CREATED in God's IMAGE.

*“He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.” **Ecclesiastes 3:11***

*“For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;” **Psalms 139:13***

- Humans are SAVED to SERVE God in WORSHIP.

**2. Believers are Commanded to UNITE to Christ under One SPIRIT and MIND.** (v 27b-2:5)

**3. The Necessity of ONENESS to Win the Spiritual BATTLE for the FAITH.** (v 1:27c-29)

**4. The LOVE of Others in the FELLOWSHIP** (v 2:1-2)

**5. The Genuine HUMILITY and sacrifice** (v 2:3)

**6. The EXAMPLE of Jesus Christ who proves that sacrifice produces eternal glory.** (v 29, 2:5)

Do you know the value in life? Are you living in a manner worthy of the gospel? What is your purpose of life and salvation? I pray you come to Christ to find eternal life and join in the unity of Christ as His Church.

### **Salvation through Jesus Christ**

*The single most important decision you could ever make is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, all have sinned and fall short of God's glory and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death. Yet through God's love, only Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That 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. The Bible says to REPENT of your sins, BELIEVE in Jesus thereby receiving His forgiveness. And identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.*