

SCRIPTURE:

• Philippians 3:1-7

CONVERSATIONS

- Read Matthew 23:1-5. Pastor Dan explained that "Jesus + _____" creates a burden that we find hard to bear. What is it that you are tempted to add to faith in Jesus in order to feel that you are doing enough to earn Jesus' approval?
- Tim Keller says: "It is not the strength of your faith, but the object of your faith that actually saves you." What does he mean by that? If that is the case, how much faith should we have?
- Read Philippians 3:7. Are there things or have their been things that you have done in the past thinking that you were earning God's love and grace that now you would consider to be 'wasted'?
- Brennan Manning writes: "My deepest awareness of myself is that I am deeply loved by
 Jesus Christ and I have done nothing to earn or deserve it." Why is a proper understanding
 of grace so important? What kinds of problems happen if we misunderstand what grace is
 all about?

PRAYER

- For our in person services—that many would come worship together and God would be glorified!
- For guests who are attending in person or on line for the first time. That we would have an opportunity to connect with them and they would be KNOWN here.
- For Ridge Kids Ministry. That the Lord would guide us towards who he has to lead this ministry.
- For our Ridge Kids team, that God would draw folks to serve, love and care for our next generation.
- For our Phase 2 Building Campaign. That our church family would see and understand where we feel God is leading us in stewarding this building that we have to serve our CITY and our NEXT GENERATION.