

**Sermon Outline – Rev. Jim Stuart**  
**“Citizens of Another Kingdom”**  
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- I. Philippians 3:17 – 4:1
  - A. Main point... Kingdom of God defined.
    - 1. It’s now and not yet; Jesus: “You are not of this world.”
    - 2. Symptoms we feel that tell us we were created for another kingdom...
  - B. In the tension we live in between the now and the not yet, and the impatience, we’re still drawn to the lures of this world that have hooks that lead to slavery and the pig sty.
    - 1. At some level, we all relate to the prodigal son...
  - C. Paul grieves over some in Philippi living in ways opposed to the way of Christ.
    - 1. They were struggling with indulging the appetites of the physical body...  
“Their minds are set on earthly things.”
    - 2. How that statement takes us all in...
    - 3. Paul pleads, with a pastor’s heart, “Your citizenship is in heaven.” “Follow my and others’ example.” “Stand firm in the Lord’s ways.”
- II. Our need for models and examples of living as citizens of another kingdom...
- III. The call to each of us to become such a model / example to people in our spheres of influence...
  - A. Help as to how we become such a model
    - 1. Key New Testament passages to get ingrained in us and to be living out with the help of the Holy Spirit: Romans 12:1-21, 1 Corinthians 13, 2 Corinthians 3:12 – 7:1, Galatians 5:22 – 6:10, Ephesians 4:20 – 6:20, Philippians 2:3-16 and 4:4-9, Colossians 3:1 – 4:6, 1 Peter 2:1 – 3:16, 2 Peter 1:2-10, 1 John 4:7-21; From Old Testament: Micah 6:8, Deuteronomy 10:12-21.
    - 2. Be consistent in putting forth the effort; grace is opposed to earning our way, but it’s not opposed to effort.
  - B. Examples of Saints past and present to be reading, and studying their lives: C.S. Lewis, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Mother Teresa, Oswald Chambers, Henri Nouwen, Dallas Willard, Brother Lawrence, Joni Eareckson Tada, Timothy Keller, Rick Warren – All citizens of another kingdom.
  - C. Two other helpful books: Soul Keeping, by John Ortberg; The One Year Book of Encouragement, edited by Harold Myra.
  - D. Two closing reminders.