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Because God is loyal and faithful

Phil. 3:20 *But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the LORD Jesus Christ. (NIV)*

As Paul addresses the people of Phillipi with an admonition. He is encouraging them to realize that even though they were Roman citizens by geography, they were, as Christians, citizens of Heaven. In understanding this, they were to give their allegiance to the Father instead of to Caesar.

It doesn't matter where you live. We are to realize that our home is with the Father and that we are to be loyal to Him above all. I am certain that I live in an amazing country and that I tear up every time I sing the National Anthem. I've had family members literally die for this country. But all of that pales in significance to the fact that I am not my own anymore. I've been bought with a price. Therefore, I am to glorify the LORD in my mortal body.

We are to be eagerly awaiting the return of our Savior. He is coming back soon to gather His family to the place He has prepared for us. I know that this world is not my home. I'm just a soldier of the cross, looking forward with great expectation to going home. But before I go, I want everyone possible to know that they can go as well. Jesus has purchased our eternal freedom by His perfect blood. We are now soldiers of the King. Let us march forward with the banner of the cross and fight the battle that has already been won for us.

Dear Father, You are our King. This world is not our home, but Heaven is. Help us to keep our eyes and our hearts fixed on You. In Jesus Name, Amen