

⇒ I have trash in my life.

*"I consider them garbage,..."*

**Philippians 3:8 (NIV)**

⇒ My trash are the things I've left behind (discarded).

*You hate my instruction and cast my words behind you.*

**Psalms 50:17 (NIV)**

⇒ My trash reveals my values.

*I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless...*

**Philippians 3:7 (NIV)**

⇒ God expects me to examine what I value

*Let all who are spiritually mature agree on these things. If you disagree on some point, I believe God will make it plain to you.*

**Philippians 3:15 (NLT)**

Note: My trash reveals if my values agree with God's values.

### **Examining My Trash Will Reveal Two Things:**

#### **1. I value things God doesn't.**

*I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless...*

**Philippians 3:7 (NIV)**

*The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God's sight."*

#### **2. I've discarded things God values.**

*"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former."*

**Matthew 23:23 (NIV)**

*"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift."*

**Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV)**

*The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor.*

**I Corinthians 12:21-23 (NIV)**