**Press on Toward the Goal**

Philippians 3:12-21

Key Verse 3:13b-14 “But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”

1. Review 3:10-11. What was Paul's life goal? How did he view his progress? (12a,13a) What does it mean that Christ Jesus took hold of Paul? (12b)

2. What was the “one thing” Paul did? (13b-14) What does it mean to “press on toward the goal”? What is your life goal and how can you attain it?

3. What view of things should mature Christians have? (15) How did Paul see those who think differently? (15b) Think about the importance of “example” and “model” (17; 1 Corinthians 11:1).

4. Who did Paul warn the Philippians about? (18) What characterizes enemies of the cross of Christ? (19; Romans 6:1,15; Galatians 5:13)

5. Contrary to enemies of the cross, what is the identity and destiny of Christians? (20a) What will Jesus do when he comes? (21) How does this encourage us to press on toward the goal? (14)