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Philippians 3:12-21

12 Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do:* forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you; 16 however, let us keep living by that same standard to which we have attained. 17 Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us. 18 For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ, 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is *their* appetite, and *whose* glory is in their shame, who set their minds on earthly things. 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; 21 who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

How to Grow until Glory

- 1) "Not that I have already obtained it" _____ (3:12)
- 2) "one thing I do" ______(3:13-14)
- 3) "Let us therefore" ______ (3:15)

- 7) "conformity with...His glory" _____ (3:21)

Key Verse Philippians 3:8, 12 (NASB)

"I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord... I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus."

To "Press On" this week, I commit to:

- □ Hear Him better in the Scriptures
- Converse with Him through Prayer
- □ Spend fun time with my family
- □ Have a worship time with my family
- □ Share Christ with someone
- Memorize a Bible verse

James 1:22, "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."