

CHRIST CHURCH OF PRAYER – December 31, 2017
Forgetting Those Things Which Are Behind, . . .
and Pressing On

Message Scripture: Philippians 3:12-14

God wants us always striving higher, moving forward and, To Press On.

Philippians 3:12-14 *New International Version (NIV)*

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: **Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**

2 Timothy 4:7: I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

John 10:10 *King James Version (KJV)*

¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might **have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.**

Jeremiah 29:11 *King James Version (KJV)*

¹¹ For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

There are so many blessing that await you, but you will never reach them by looking back. Stop looking at what went wrong and start focusing on God, who wants to direct your future and bring you to a wonderful glorious triumphant end that leads to VICTORY.

“I must look forward, . . . I must press on.”

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¹² Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

¹³ Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

¹⁴ **I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.**

Jesus saved you to do a job for Him and for His kingdom!

Think about things you would like to set as goals for yourself within this next year.

“Don’t look back, **press on** toward the prize!! The prize we have in Jesus Christ our Savior!!”

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