

THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

MAKING THE MOST OF THE TIME WE HAVE LEFT (Pt 2)

Philippians 3:12-16

The Pursuit

“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 I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.”

Rom 8:29 – *“to be conformed to His image”*

The Process (13-14)

- **Focusing** - *“one thing I do”*
- **Forgetting** - *“what lies behind”*
- **Reaching** – *“forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus”*

The Practice

“Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal this to you; however, let us keep living by the same standard to which we have attained.”

“Treasures” of a Wasted Life (4-6)

- Biblical Knowledge –
“as to the Law a Pharisee”
- Religious Practice -
“as to zeal, a persecutor of the church”

“Treasures” of a Wasted Life (4-6)

- Moral Lifestyle -

“as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless”

Treasures of a Life in Christ (7-11)

- The Knowledge of Jesus -

“More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him”

Treasures of a Life in Christ (7-11)

- The Righteousness of Jesus -

“not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith”

Treasures of a Life in Christ (7-11)

- The Power of Jesus -

“that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection”

- The Fellowship of Jesus –

“And the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.”

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- The Resurrection of Jesus -
“in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead”

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