

Press On
Philippians 3:12-21

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The more a believer matures, the more they realize how much further they have to go
To press on means to take focused and determined action

Philippians 3:13-14

He's willing to forget:

- The pain of prison,
- the physical punishment,
- the frustration of disobedient church members and
- the frustration of false teachers.

The 1st part of this metaphor – the runner is **NOT distracted** by the other runners
The 2nd part is that the runner IS **FOCUSED** on the goal
The 3rd part of the metaphor is the **REASON** for running – To win the prize

Philippians 3:15-16

Believers are responsible to **Live Up** to what they have learned

- Vs 12 “I Press on”
- Vs 13 “I forget what is behind”
- Vs 13 I “strain towards what is ahead”
- Vs 14 “I press on towards the goal”
- Vs 15 “All of us, ... should take such a view...”

Philippians 3:17-18 - Do you WANT people to be like you????

Paul says he was weeping?

WHY???

Over how some believers were living!

Worldliness TRICKS our hearts into seeking satisfaction
in what can NEVER satisfy us.

The “enemies of the Cross” are the ones who are adding works to salvation

Philippians 3:19-21

The stomach represents food that is allowed or not allowed which represent strict observance of
the Law (**Legalism**)