GROWTHNOTES

Scripture: Philippians 3:12-16 and Others

Message Series:

BUILD BACK BETTER!

Part 3

THE RULE OF FIVE

- Identify the five (5) things I must do in order to successfully reach my goals—that I must do EVERY DAY (because it is the process that leads to the product!).
- The secret of your success is found in your daily agenda and figuring out what really matters to you! You cannot prioritize—if you do not know your priorities!
- To be successful tomorrow, I must start today!

- I must evaluate today to see what I need to accomplish tomorrow.
- Don't make your life about events—make your life about the process—because success is determined by your daily agenda.

OUR CORE 5 STRATEGY

- 1. Celebrate God in worship.
- 2. Connect with others in the congregation and in groups.
- 3. Cultivate our spiritual growth and development.
- 4. Care for each other and the world.
- 5. Contribute our money and our minutes to expand the Kingdom.

SIX REASONS TO

SET GOALS

1. "Goal-Setting—is a spiritual responsibility!"

Philippians 3:13: "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. 15 All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. 16 Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

2. "Goals are statements of faith!"

Hebrews 11:6: And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

3. "Goals spike our energy!"

1 Corinthians 9:26—Paul says—"I do not run without a goal—I fight like a boxer who is hitting something—and not just the air!"

4. "Goals stimulate you to keep on keeping on!"

Heb. 12:2: "...Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

5. "Goals build our character!"

Philippians 3:12: "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."

6. "Goals bring a reward!"

Acts 4:18: Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John replied, "Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! 20 As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."

HOW TO SELECT GOALS THAT GOD WILL BLESS

- 1. Do my goals reflect my <u>relationships</u> (The Great Commandment)?
- 2. Do my goals reflect my <u>values</u>?
- 3. Do my goals reflect my *calling*?
- 4. Do my goals reflect growth?
- 5. Does this goal reflect my <u>faith</u>?

MY NOTES_____