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Philippians
3:12-4:1

Treasuring Jesus Above All Else

Question: How should our heavenly citizenship shape how we live? And how do we “stand firm” so we don’t drift from this way of life?

1) A New Goal

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.

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) New Role Models

17 Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do.

3) A New Mindset

18 For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. **19** Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. **20** But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, **21** who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

As you go...

1. Remember: Jesus is better than _____.
2. Treasure Jesus above all else.
3. Fight to keep eternity in mind.