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**Hebrews 4:9-10**  
9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, 10 for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

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**Calling**  
a profession or a vocation (1 Corinthians 7:20). The "hope of your calling" in Ephesians 4:4 is the hope resulting from our being called into the kingdom of God for a specific purpose.  
1. How we pay the bills and care for our family?  
2. How we build the body of Christ?

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**Why?**

Why would the Apostle Paul go into harm's way in Jerusalem after repeated warnings?

Paul was energized to take huge risks to fulfill his calling and receive his full reward.

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**Acts 9**  
19 For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. 20 And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." 21 And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?"

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**Acts 9**  
22 But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ. 23 When many days had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him,

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**Acts 9**  
24 but their plot became known to Saul. They were watching the gates day and night in order to kill him, 25 but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket.

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**Galatians 1**

15 But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, 16 was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; 17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

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**Questions to Identify Our Reward?**

What does my mind drift to in-between moments?  
 What do I love to talk about?  
 What makes me angry when threatened?  
 What makes me happy when affirmed?  
 Who or what gives me the greatest affirmation?  
 If money was no object, what would I do?

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**Matthew 6**

19 "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure [reward] is, there your heart will be also.

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**Philippians 3**

7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

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**Skilled in Spiritual Arithmetic**

"He was skilled in spiritual arithmetic, and very careful in his reckoning. He cast up his accounts with caution, and observed with a diligent eye his losses and his gains."

- Charles Spurgeon

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**Philippians 3 AMP**

7 But whatever former things were gains to me [as I thought then], these things [once regarded as advancements in merit] I have come to consider as loss [absolutely worthless] for the sake of Christ [and the purpose which He has given my life].

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**Philippians 3 AMP**

8 But more than that, I count everything as loss compared to the priceless privilege and supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord [and of growing more deeply and thoroughly acquainted with Him—a joy unequalled]. For His sake I have lost everything, and I consider it all garbage, so that I may gain Christ,

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**Philippians 3 AMP**

9 and may be found in Him [believing and relying on Him], not having any righteousness of my own derived from [my obedience to] the Law and its rituals, but [possessing] that [genuine righteousness] which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith.

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**Philippians 3 AMP**  
10 And this, so that I may know Him [experientially, becoming more thoroughly acquainted with Him, understanding the remarkable wonders of His Person more completely] and [in that same way experience] the power of His resurrection [which overflows and is active in believers],

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**Philippians 3 AMP**  
10...and [that I may share] the fellowship of His sufferings, by being continually conformed [inwardly into His likeness even] to His death [dying as He did];

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**Philippians 3 AMP**  
11 so that I may attain to the resurrection [that will raise me] from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained it [this goal of being Christlike] or have already been made perfect, but I actively press on so that I may take hold of that [perfection] for which Christ Jesus took hold of me and made me His own.

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**Philippians 3 AMP**

13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, 14. I press on toward the goal to win the [heavenly] prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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**Philippians 3 AMP**

15 All of us who are mature [pursuing spiritual perfection] should have this attitude. And if in any respect you have a different attitude, that too God will make clear to you. 16 Only let us stay true to what we have already attained.

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**Repentance**

1. Spirit inspired change of mind
2. Spirit enabled change of heart
3. Spirit empowered change of actions

True repentance is a miracle from beginning to end

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**Philippians 3:14**

I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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**Change of Mind and Heart**

We hear the word of God and revelation appears in our mind. Our intellect understands what God is saying and who is he saying it to. Change in heart deals with the will and answers the why and how. Sometimes these changes are dramatic, one-time events. Other times, the changes occur slowly over time.

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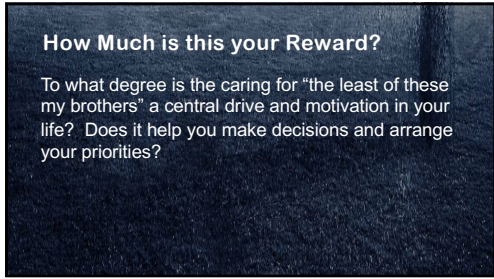
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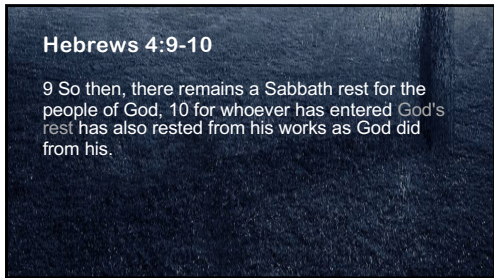
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