



JOY In the Journey: Keep Pressing On (pt. 1)

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OPENING:

ICEBREAKER or GET YA THINKIN' QUESTION: _____

OPENING PRAYER NOTES: _____

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

GROUP NEEDS: _____ SHUT-IN MINISTRY: _____

WHO'S LEADING...

THIS WEEK: WORSHIP: _____ PRAYER: _____

NEXT WEEK: WORSHIP: _____ PRAYER: _____

SCRIPTURES:

Philippians 3:12-16

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, 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, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

All of us 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. Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

OVERVIEW:

Jeff said, "Life is about movement," and suggested we follow Paul's example and "press on." He suggested that pressing on requires (1) an absence of arrogance (aka, humility), (2) sustained maximum effort, (3) focused concentration (on the right stuff), and (4) proper motivation.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What does humility look like in our Christian walk?

Q: What is the difference between "service" and "maximum effort?"

Q: How can we know what is the right stuff to focus on?

Q: What are some other "proper motivations" besides eternal life?