



**TOPIC: PRESSING FORWARD: GOD'S PLAN AND PURPOSE FOR EVERY BELIEVER**

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**Philippians 3:12-14 (NKJV)**

*Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

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**1. HONEST FAITH: I HAVEN'T ARRIVED**

**Philippians 3:12 (NKJV)**

*Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.*

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**John 15:16 (NKJV)**

*You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.*

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**2. FOCUSED FAITH: FORGETTING WHAT IS BEHIND**

**Philippians 3:13 (NKJV)**

*Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead...*

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### 3. ACTIVE FAITH: STRAINING TOWARD WHAT IS AHEAD

Philippians 3:14 (NKJV)

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

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### 4. ETERNAL FAITH: PRESSING ON TOWARD THE PRIZE

Philippians 3:14 (NKJV)

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

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