Philippians 3:12-14

- 1 Peter 2:1-3
- Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, 2) as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, 3) if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

- A spiritually mature Christian separates themselves from sin
- Romans 6:17-18, But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. 18) And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

- We should have one purpose in mind
- Phil. 3: 13-14, 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, 14) I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

- One thing should be on our minds
- Phil. 2:5, Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,
- We need to please God rather than man.
- Gal. 1:10, For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.

- Do we see the value of the soul?
- Mark 8:36-37, For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? 37) Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

- We must forget those things which are behind.
- Genesis 19:15-17, 19:24-26
- Luke 9:62, But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.
- Forgiven sins are forgotten by God, we must forget as well.

- As we live our lives "Press toward the mark"
- Hebrews 12:1-3, We must have endurance to live a faithful life. Prepare for a Marathon not a sprint.
- Phil 3:14, Paul did all he could for the lord. Are we striving to do the same.
- Too many things hinder people from obeying God, example. conforming to worldly behaviors, entertainment, lack of knowledge.

- We must put God first.
- Matt 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.