

9. What did Paul receive in the place of his own merits?
10. Are you guilty of being complacent, comfortable, and apathetic, now that God has saved you and you have eternal life?
11. The gospel of grace provides the highest motivation for what?
12. We strive to live a righteous life out of love for God and a passionate desire to do what?
13. Philippians 3 strikes a crushing blow to the doctrine known as what?
14. Spiritual growth begins with the awareness that you haven't what?
15. Do you hunger and thirst for righteousness in your life? Does how you live life match up with how you answered that question?
16. At salvation, our knowledge of Christ is what?
17. What are three Old Testament passages that correspond to what Paul said in Philippians 3 about knowing Christ?
18. Paul wanted to experience more of that resurrection power every day of his life as he conquered what and grew in what?
19. Paul knew that to conquer sin and grow in Christlikeness would involve what?
20. What is one of God's most effective methods of sanctifying us?
21. When Paul says, "being conformed to his death" it was another way of expressing his desire for what?
22. What did the Lord Jesus exemplify in His death?
23. What is a possible understanding of what Paul says in verse 11?
24. What did Paul say about himself after 30 years of spiritual growth?
25. In his spiritual progress, Paul gave what kind of effort?
26. Are you satisfied with your spiritual progress? Are you content to limp along spiritually?
27. What was nauseating to Paul?
28. Do you have a sanctified dissatisfaction?
29. What is the purpose for which Christ lays hold of us?
30. For thirty years Paul's number one issue was what?
31. Can you say that? Is your one dimensional focus to be like Christ?
32. If you are a double-minded person your life is what?
33. From Paul's example and statement, what are we to forget?
34. If you hold on to the good in your past then the tendency is to do what?

35. What is deadly to spiritual progress?
36. If you hold on to the bad in your past it will do what to you?
37. Are you holding on to anything bad in your past? What do you need to do with it?
38. Paul was never satisfied because he knew the goal was what?
39. "I press toward the goal" seems to be a synonym for what?
40. Paul is saying in verse 15 that those who are mature will think what?
41. Are you one of the Christians who is distracted, self-satisfied, apathetic, and complacent? Why?
42. Verse 16 is a call for what?
43. Spiritual growth takes consistency in:
 - a. The _____
 - b. P_____
 - c. Putting into _____ the things you learn.
44. What are some things in your life right now that are distracting you from consistency?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

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LOOKING AHEAD

Philippians 3:10-16

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon on "Looking Ahead." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What kind of imagery does Paul use in this passage to describe how he lived the Christian life?
2. In I Corinthians 9:24-27, Paul describes the Christian life as what two athletic events?
3. In I Timothy 6:10-12 Paul uses the picture of what two athletic events to describe the Christian life?
4. What three analogies does Paul use in 2 Timothy 2:2-6?
5. As Paul looked back at his life, he saw his life as what?
6. The writer of the book of Hebrews describes the Christian life like a what?
7. In Philippians 3:4-9, Paul tells us that he was more than willing to trash all his own credentials for the what?
8. In comparison to the riches of Christ, Paul saw his own achievements and merit as what?