

PRESSING FORWARD

(Philippians 3:12-14)

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¹² 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. ¹³ 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.

Message: We are to keep pressing forward to spiritual maturity or Christlikeness!

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- I. PRESS FORWARD TO A *CLOSE FELLOWSHIP WITH THE LORD JESUS* (1 Corinthians 1:9; Revelation 3:20)
- II. PRESS FORWARD TO A **MATURE** CHRISTLIKE LOVE FOR OTHERS (1 Thessalonians

4:9-10; John 13:34-35; 1 Corinthians 14:1)

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III. PRESS FORWARD TO CONSISTENT VERBAL WITNESSING (Romans 1:16; Acts 8:4; Acts 4:31)

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¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

Acts 8:4 (NKJV)

⁴ Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word.

Acts 4:31 (NKJV)

³¹ And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.