



Failing Forward

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Today's Text: Philippians 3:7-14

Notes:



Study & Discussion for Your Next Small Group

Theme: *Press On!*

Share Together: What is a goal, project or dream you saw accomplished? What sacrifices did you have to make to achieve it? What was the result and how did you feel?

Reflect Together: What impacted you most from Sunday's message and why?

Read Together: Philippians 3:7-14

Discuss Together:

- Paul was a very religious person before knowing Christ. What is the difference between being religious and knowing Christ? Why is this a challenge for people to grasp, even today?
- What loss is Paul talking about, that is required for the gain of knowing Christ? How does this impact us in our daily life today?
- How can we truly know Christ and the power of His resurrection?
- Paul states in verse 10 that he wants to participate in Christ's sufferings. What does participating in Christ's sufferings look like, while living in the United States? Does "suffering" differ depending upon perception?
- What does Paul mean in verse 12, "Not that I have already obtained all this or been make perfect" and how does that speak to you about the process of growing in Christlikeness?
- What is helpful from what Paul says in verse 13, "this one thing I do" as we deal with our past mistakes or sin while not dwelling on them?
- What has been an example of learning from your past that has helped you today?
- Paul compares his growth in Christ to running a race and says he "presses on". What is the goal he speaks of? How is the goal the same for us?
- What ways have you found to press on in your faith, that could be helpful to those in your group?
- What "walls" have you hit, that you need prayer for, so you can press on toward your heavenward calling in Christ this week?

Pray Together (or in smaller micro groups)