



Philippians 3:12-14

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

4 PRINCIPLES TO SUCCESSFULLY REORDERING YOUR LIFE

1. Determine _____ / _____ is #1.

Verse 13--*But one thing I do...*

TOP 5 AMERICAN IDOLS:

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| 1. _____ | Matthew 6:19-24 |
| 2. _____ | Luke 14:25-35 |
| 3. _____ | Matthew 5:27-30 |
| 4. _____ | Exodus 20:9-11 |
| 5. _____ | Matthew 6:25-34 |

2. Properly _____ the past.

Verse 13--*Forgetting what is behind...*

>> Don't let your past _____ you and _____ you.

John 16:33--I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

See also Revelation 12:11; Luke 10:19; 1 John 5:4,5; 1 John 4:4; Genesis 19:26; Luke 17:32.

3. Passionately _____ the future.

Verse 13--*...straining toward what is ahead...*

Acts 20:24--However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.

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| TIMELINE: | |
| 6/5 BC - AD 30 | Jesus' Life |
| AD 35 | _____ |
| AD 46-67 | _____ |
| AD 50-51 | Council at Jerusalem |
| AD 54-68 | _____ |
| AD 59-62 | _____ |
| AD 60-62 | Book of Philippians written |
| AD 67-68 | _____ |
| AD 70 | Destruction of Jerusalem's temple (Titus) |

4. Keep your _____ on the _____.

Verse 14--*I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.*

Small Group Discussion Questions:

1. How does our life get "out of order"?
2. Review the points and verses from this lesson. What personal application can you make from this teaching?
3. What life lessons have you learned about reordering your life?
4. Take some time right now to pray for the needs of those in your small group.