

**Living Joyfully  
Moving Toward My Future  
With Joy  
Philippians 3:12-21**

Our attitude toward the future has a powerful impact upon our joy for today!

**How To Move Toward My Future  
With Joy**

**1. Reject \_\_\_\_\_  
(12-14)**

- \_\_\_\_\_

*“A sanctified dissatisfaction is the first essential to progress in the Christian race.” Warren Wiersbe*

- \_\_\_\_\_

Forgetting - “To treat with inattention or disregard”

We can’t change the past, but we can change the \_\_\_\_\_ of the past by God’s grace!

**Three Things I May Need To Forget:**

- My \_\_\_\_\_
- My \_\_\_\_\_
- My \_\_\_\_\_

You break the power of the past by living for \_\_\_\_\_ and what He has for you!

## 2. Clarify \_\_\_\_\_ (13-14)

We lose a lot of our joy, not because of great commitments, but because of \_\_\_\_\_

Paul Had A:

- \_\_\_\_\_ commitment
- \_\_\_\_\_ commitment

“God what do you want me to do?”

- \_\_\_\_\_ commitment

*“For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.”*  
(Colossians 1:29)

- \_\_\_\_\_ commitment

*“Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.”*  
(Colossians 1:28)

*“For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.”*  
(2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

### 3. Follow The Right \_\_\_\_\_ (15-19)

#### The Positive: Paul and Others (15-17)

- Right \_\_\_\_\_
- Right \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ from human examples, but never \_\_\_\_\_ human examples

#### The Negative: Many (18-19)

- Wrong \_\_\_\_\_
- Wrong \_\_\_\_\_
- Wrong \_\_\_\_\_
- Wrong \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Remember \_\_\_\_\_ (20)

Our \_\_\_\_\_ must match our citizenship

#### A.W. Tozer Gave Three Tests For Our Citizenship:

- What do you desire most?
- What do you think about most?
- Whom do you admire most?

## 5. Regularly Reflect On My \_\_\_\_\_ (21)

*“If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world.” C. S. Lewis*

(See 2 Corinthians 5:6-10)

***“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.”  
Corrie Ten Boom***

### **Making It Personal:**

- If you were standing before God right now and he were to ask you, “Why should I let you into my heaven?” – What would you say?
- What is your attitude toward the future? How is it impacting your life today?
- Which of the points of this message do you most need to put into practice this week? How will you do that?
- Who can you share these truths with?