

WE HAVE A PRIZE

Series: The Homecoming -2

Text: Philippians 3:12-16

May 31, 2020

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1. We gratefully _____

2. We ferociously _____

QUESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY

Read Philippians 3:12-16 and discuss the message notes:

- Define “the upward call of God in Christ Jesus”. What is Paul referring to? How does Philippians 1:6 add perspective? How does Philippians 3:7-11 provide context?
- When did you start “the race” for the prize? What have been some key moments since you started?
- What does Paul mean when he talks about forgetting the past? Why should we forget? What makes this possible? How does a failure to forget the past hinder our running?
- Have you ever had moments when you felt like you’d “arrived” in your Christian race? What happened to show you that you still had more race to run? What did you learn from that experience?
- What does Paul’s admonition to “press on” suggest about the role of the church? What does it suggest about how believers ought to approach the daily living-out of their faith?
- What impacted you most from the message?

APPLICATION & QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION

- What is the goal God has called you to? What are some practical ways to keep your eyes focused on Jesus as you pursue that goal?
- Do you need to work on forgetting what is behind? Do you need to make intentional decisions to train for your race? How would you do that? Perhaps you are feeling a specific prompting to live out some truth you’ve discovered in the Bible. Write these thoughts below. Be specific.

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