

KNOWING CHRIST AS WE PURSUE THE GOAL
(Philippians 3:10-16)

I. The Danger of Legalism (3:1-3)

II. The False Confidence of Legalistic Thinking (3:4-6)

III. The True Confidence of Knowing Christ (3:7-16)

A. In Justification (3:7-9)

B. In Sanctification (3:10-16)

1. Stating Paul's _____ in the sanctification process (3:10-11)
 - a. Paul desired to **know** Christ _____ in the Christian life!
 - b. Paul desired to **know** the _____ of His resurrection
 - c. Paul desired to **know** the fellowship of his _____.
 - The result of all this:
2. _____ this goal in the sanctification process (3:12-14)
 - a. Requires _____ on your part toward your _____ —“*not that I have already attained or am already perfected*”
 - b. Requires your _____ & participation—“*I press on*”
 - Why is he pressing on?
 - c. Requires you have a focused _____ on the one thing that God has called you to be (3:13b)
 - What would that be?
 - How would He have you to do that?
 - d. Encourages you to **realize** that there is an eternal _____ to be earned as we live _____ moving toward our goal (3:14)

3. _____ the goals in the sanctification process (3:15-16)

a. The word “*therefore*” is the connection _____ to what was just stated by the apostle & it calls for a _____ that he wants the believer to come to.

b. There is a *command* to heed: “*Let us have this* _____” in the sanctification process.

What mindset is he talking about?

“mature” (teleios)

- So again, what particular action does this “mindset” display?
- Some Christians believe that progressive sanctification is automatic in the Christian life.

c. If we get off track in progressive sanctification (into either legalism or licentiousness) & think “otherwise”—other than a _____ perspective—God will _____ or make known to you that _____ so you can make the correction & get back on track with Him.

d. When we have the right mindset, our _____ in sanctification will _____ God!

- What does he mean by the “*same rule*”?