

## Bible Study Questions

Philippians 3:12-21

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

19. What did Paul say that he had not yet achieved – 3:12,13? Explain the sense in which this was true.
  
20. Application: Explain the sense in which Paul forgot the things behind and reached forward to the things ahead. Give applications that show the importance of this principle to us.
  
21. Toward what did Paul press – 3:14? Explain what this goal or prize is.
  
22. What application should Paul's discussion have to us – 3:15,16? What will God do to help us in this, and how does He do it?
  
23. How should Paul's instructions affect our conduct and our thinking – verse 16?
  
24. How should Paul's example benefit us – 3:17? Who else should serve as a pattern for us?
  
25. Case Study: Some have denied that Biblical examples constitute binding authority. What do we learn from verse 17 about the importance of following examples? List other passages about following examples.

26. Whose example should we not follow – 3:18,19? How does Paul describe them? (Think: In what sense was their belly their God?)

27. In what sense do people set their mind on earthly things? List other similar passages. How does this help us understand whom Paul is discussing (compare verses 1-4)?

28. Where is our citizenship – 3:20? What does this teach us about where we should focus our minds?

29. Who is already in heaven, and what do we anticipate that He will do – 3:21? List other similar passages.

30. What power does Jesus have? What does this show us about His character?