



LIFE'S GREATEST PURSUIT

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-21

GETTING STARTED

- Do you have any spiritual goals this year? Talk about how you are currently growing in your faith or challenging yourself to become more like Christ in this season.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Before you begin: *Open with prayer and spend a minute or two in silence before God. Have multiple people ask the Holy Spirit to enter into your time together and illuminate your hearts and minds to scripture.*

- Have someone read the passage aloud and note any observations, questions, and exciting insights you found while reading through the text to share with the group. What jumped out at you? What was something you noticed now that you didn't see before?
- What is the "goal" Paul is talking about and what does he mean by "make every effort" in taking a hold of it? How do we grow in our spiritual maturity?
- What do we learn about discipleship in this passage? Give some insights as to what Paul says discipleship actually looks like.
- What is Paul talking about in verse 21? Explain in your own words about the life we will look forward to in the world to come.

WRAPPING UP

- When you hear the words Paul uses in verse 20, "Our citizenship is in heaven," how does this change how we live? What is one area in your life God is calling you to participate in his kingdom or perhaps where he is calling you to change your life to be in alignment with the kingdom?