

WHAT LIES AHEAD

'Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brothers, I do not consider myself as having laid hold of it yet, but one thing I do : forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, '

Philippians 3:12-13



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— PHILIPPIANS 3:13 —

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- 2. Our walk as Christians is Forward-Moving**
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A **threshold** is a point of entry or a boundary... the moment where **something begins**, something changes or becomes different.

1. Honest Spiritual Humility

*'**Not** that I have already obtained it or have **already** become perfect'*

2. Our walk as Christians is Forward-Moving

*'but I **press on**'*

3. The Grace must come Before the Effort

*‘but I **press on** so that I may **lay hold** of that for which also **I was laid hold of** by Christ Jesus.’*

4. Refusing the Arrival

*‘Brothers, I **do not consider** myself as having laid hold of it **yet,**’*

5. A Focused Life

'but one thing I do'

6. Forgetting What Lies Behind

'forgetting what lies behind'

7. Reaching Forward to What Lies Ahead

*and **reaching forward** to what lies ahead, '*

Conclusion: Walking into the New year with Freedom

- **Leave** behind what God has forgiven
- **Refuse** to live in yesterdays' failures, disappointments or victories
- **Press on** in Faith, renewal, hope and obedience

...For God is **not finished** with us yet.