

Moving Out of Your Mess

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Philippians 1:6, 9-10 “I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns. I pray that your love will overflow more and more and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding. For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ’s return.”

Three Truths to Move You Out of Your Mess

1. The Promise of PROGRESS.

Philippians 1:6 “I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, **will continue His work** until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.”

Philippians 2:13 “God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases Him.”

1 Timothy 1:15-17 “Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display His immense patience as an example for those who would believe in Him and receive eternal life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.”

God loves you too much to leave you the way you are.

Romans 8:29 “God knew His people in advance, and He chose them to become like His Son, so that His Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.”

Philippians 3:12 “I don’t mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.”

2. The Importance of PURSUIT.

Philippians 1:9 “I pray that your love will overflow more and more and that you will **keep on growing** in knowledge and understanding.”

You cannot change what you are willing to tolerate.

2 Peter 1:3 “By His divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life.”

2 Peter 1:4 “God has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share His divine nature and escape the world’s corruption caused by human desires.”

2 Corinthians 3:18 “And the Lord - who is the Spirit - makes us more and more like Him as we are changed into His glorious image.”

Colossians 1:27-28 “Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.”

Hebrews 11:15-16 “If they had been thinking about what they had left behind, they would have had an opportunity to go back. Instead, they were longing for a better country, that is, a heavenly one.”

3. The Power of PRIORITIES.

Philippians 1:10 “I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ’s return.”

2 Corinthians 5:9 “We make it our goal to please Him.”

Holiness is always choosing what really matters.

James 4:3 “When you ask, you don’t get it because your motives are all wrong - you want only what will give you pleasure.”

Matthew 6:33 “Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need.”

Romans 6:19 “In the past you offered the parts of your body to be slaves to your immoral and sinful thoughts. The result was that you lived only for sin. In the same way, you must now offer yourselves to be slaves to what is right. Then you will live only for God.”

Memory Verse: Philippians 1:6 “I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.”