



DESTINY PRINCIPLES

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Philippians 3:12-14 "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. No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."

Three Principles to Achieve Your Destiny

1. Destiny is Determined by DIRECTION.

Philippians 3:13 "...Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead..."

Your direction determines your destination.

1 Timothy 1:13-15 "I used to blaspheme the name of Christ. In my insolence, I persecuted His people... I am the worst sinner of all."

Acts 9:26 “When Paul came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple.”

1 Timothy 1:13–14 “God had mercy on me. Oh, how generous and gracious our Lord was! He filled me with the faith and love that come from Christ Jesus.”

1 Corinthians 15:10 “But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace to me was not without effect...”

1 Timothy 1:16 “God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of His great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in Him and receive eternal life.”

Put the Principle into Practice: Face Forward in Faith.

2. Destiny is Developed by DISCIPLINE.

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.”

Destiny is not a drive-through. It requires daily discipline to possess perfection.

Hebrews 11:1 “NOW faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

James 2:17 & 20 "Faith that doesn't show itself by good works is no faith at all - it is dead and useless. Faith that does not result in good deeds is not real faith."

Psalm 37:34 & 37 "Don't be impatient for the Lord to act! Keep traveling steadily along His pathway and in due season He will honor you with every blessing... For the good man - the blameless, the upright, the man of peace - has a wonderful future ahead of him. For him there is a happy ending."

Put the Principle into Practice: Faithfully Follow Jesus.

3. Destiny is Driven by DEVOTION.

Philippians 3:14 "I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."

Your devotion to God and His destiny for your life drives you to accomplish your destiny.

Philippians 3:8-11 "Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ and become one with Him... I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised Him from the dead. I want to suffer with Him, sharing in His death, so that one way or another I will experience the resurrection from the dead!"

Hebrews 12:1-3 "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."

Put the Principle into Practice: Fervently Focus on the Finish.

2 Timothy 4:6-8 "As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. And now the prize awaits me - the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of His return. And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to His appearing."

Memory Verse: Philippians 3:14 "I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."

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