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★ **THE ONE THING** ★
Philippians 3:12-16

MAIN POINT

The Christian life is not a sprint; it's a marathon. So, when you're tempted to quit, remind yourself to press on.

1

Press on because you're Jesus' **prized possession.**
(v. 12)

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect,
but I press on to make it my own,

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

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Press on because you're Jesus' **prized possession.**
(v. 12)

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

Not that I have already obtained this...

PHILIPPIANS 3:10-11 (ESV)

that I may know him and the power of his resurrection,
and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

PHILIPPIANS 3:10-11 (ESV)

11 that by any means possible I may attain
the resurrection from the dead.

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THE
MARATHON
BEGINS

PHILIPPIANS 3:10 (ESV)

that I may know him and the
power of his resurrection,

THE
MARATHON
CONTINUES

PHILIPPIANS 3:10 (ESV)
and may share in his sufferings,
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THE
MARATHON
ENDS

PHILIPPIANS 3:11 (ESV)

that by any means possible I may
attain the resurrection from the dead.

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect,

PHILIPPIANS 1:6 (ESV)

that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect,
but I press on to make it my own,

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 (ESV)

but I press on to make it my own,
because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

2

Press on because **Jesus** is your **prize**. (v. 13-14)

PHILIPPIANS 3:13 (ESV)

Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own.

PHILIPPIANS 3:13 (ESV)

But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind
and straining forward to what lies ahead,

PHILIPPIANS 3:14 (ESV)

I press on toward the goal for the prize
of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8 (ESV)

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering,
and the time of my departure has come.

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8 (ESV)

7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8 (ESV)

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day,

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8 (ESV)

and not only to me but also to all
who have loved his appearing.

3

Press on because **practice** makes **perfect**. (v. 15-16)

PHILIPPIANS 3:15 (ESV)

Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you.

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God will reveal that also to you.

PHILIPPIANS 3:16 (ESV)

Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

MICHAEL JORDAN

“I don't do things half-heartedly. Because I know if I do, then I can expect half-hearted results.”