

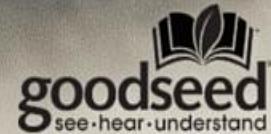


We are therefore
Christ's ambassadors,
as though God were
making his appeal
through us.

2 Cor 5:20

NEW YEAR. NEW OPPORTUNITIES.
Be ready.

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Edward Church

December 28, 2025

**RESET,
REALIGN,
RUN!**

***Preparing For
The New Year***

**Phil 3:13–14
Pt1**

**RESET, READJUST,
REFOCUS**

.....
AND RESTART!

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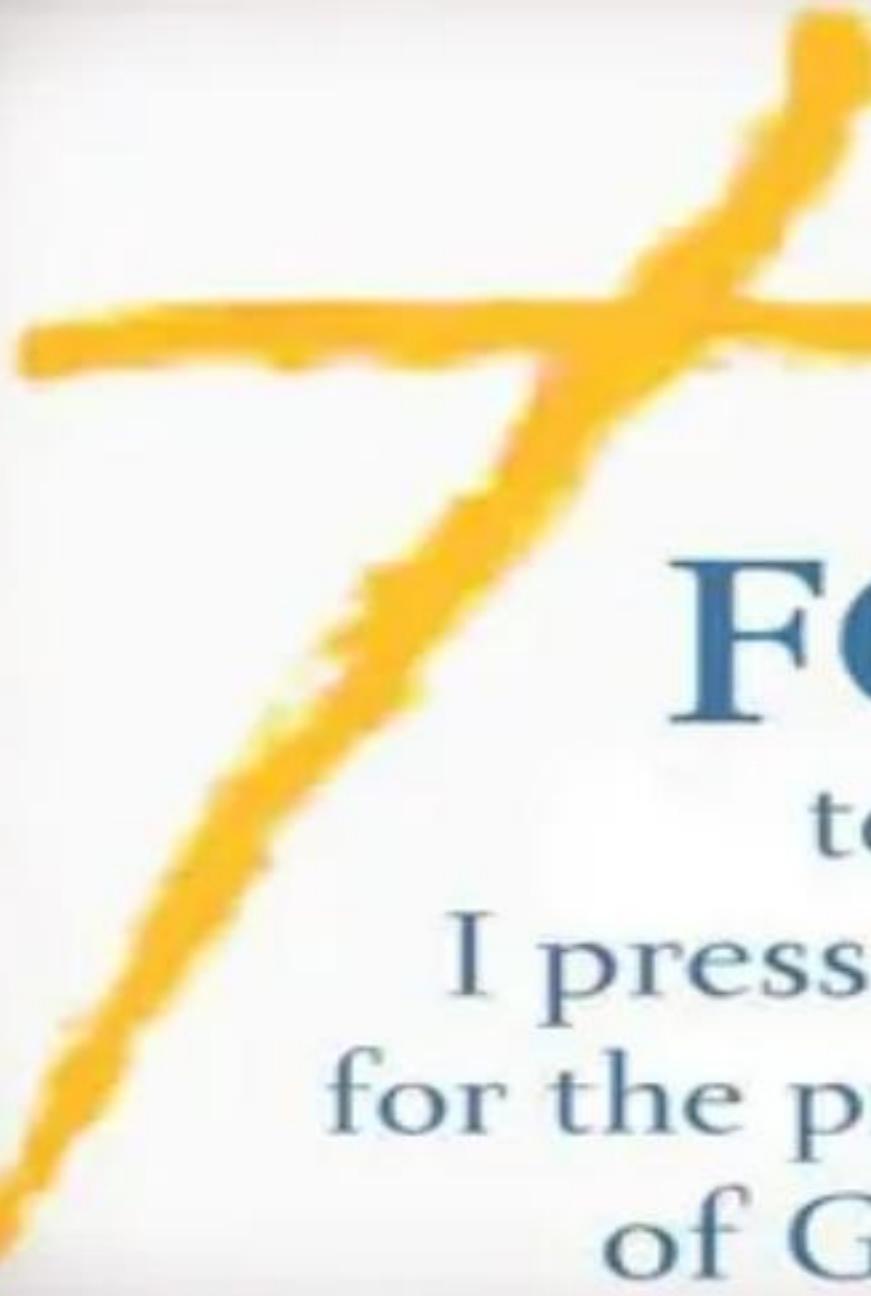
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 - Today is **not a lecture, not a seminar.**
 - Today is a **REVIVAL**....something in you is **about to Wake Up**
 - We're not here to make **Resolutions** —but receive **Revelation.**
 - We're not here to make **Promises** but Stand On **Promises**
 - We're not here to **Try Harder** — we're here to **Walk In The Spirit.**
 - If you're ready for a New Year With New Power, shout "**Let's go!**"



Philippians 3:13-14

Forgetting what lies behind

and straining

FORWARD

to what lies ahead,

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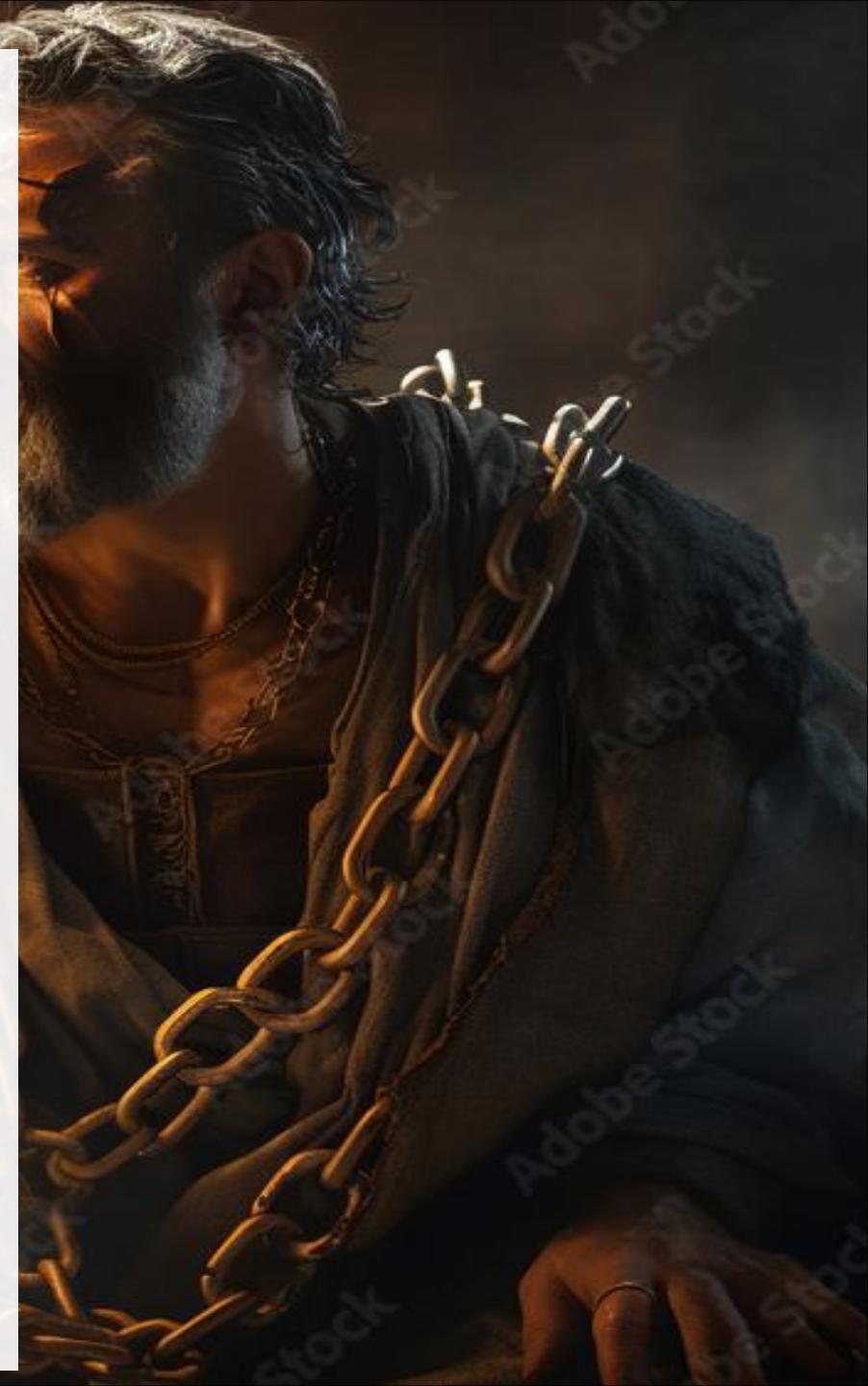
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**Say: "This is not a Wishlist –
this is a War Plan!"**

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Joy, Focus, and Forward Momentum

**Your Environment...
...Doesn't Determine Your
Destiny
...Your Alignment Does**



No looking back!



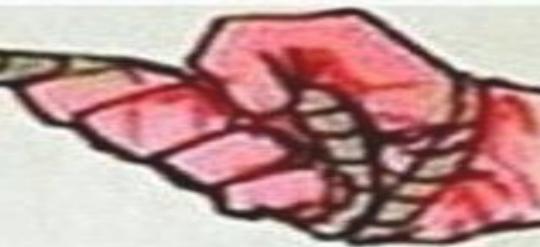
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LET GO OF WHAT'S BEHIND YOU

- “**Forgetting those things which are behind...**”
 - Let’s dig into this.
- The Greek word for “forgetting” is a Compound Word:
 - **epi** =
 - intensifier (“completely, thoroughly”)
 - **Ianthanomai** =
 - “to be hidden, to escape notice, to be overlooked”

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**Sometimes
holding on**



**does more
damage**



**than
letting go**



LET GO

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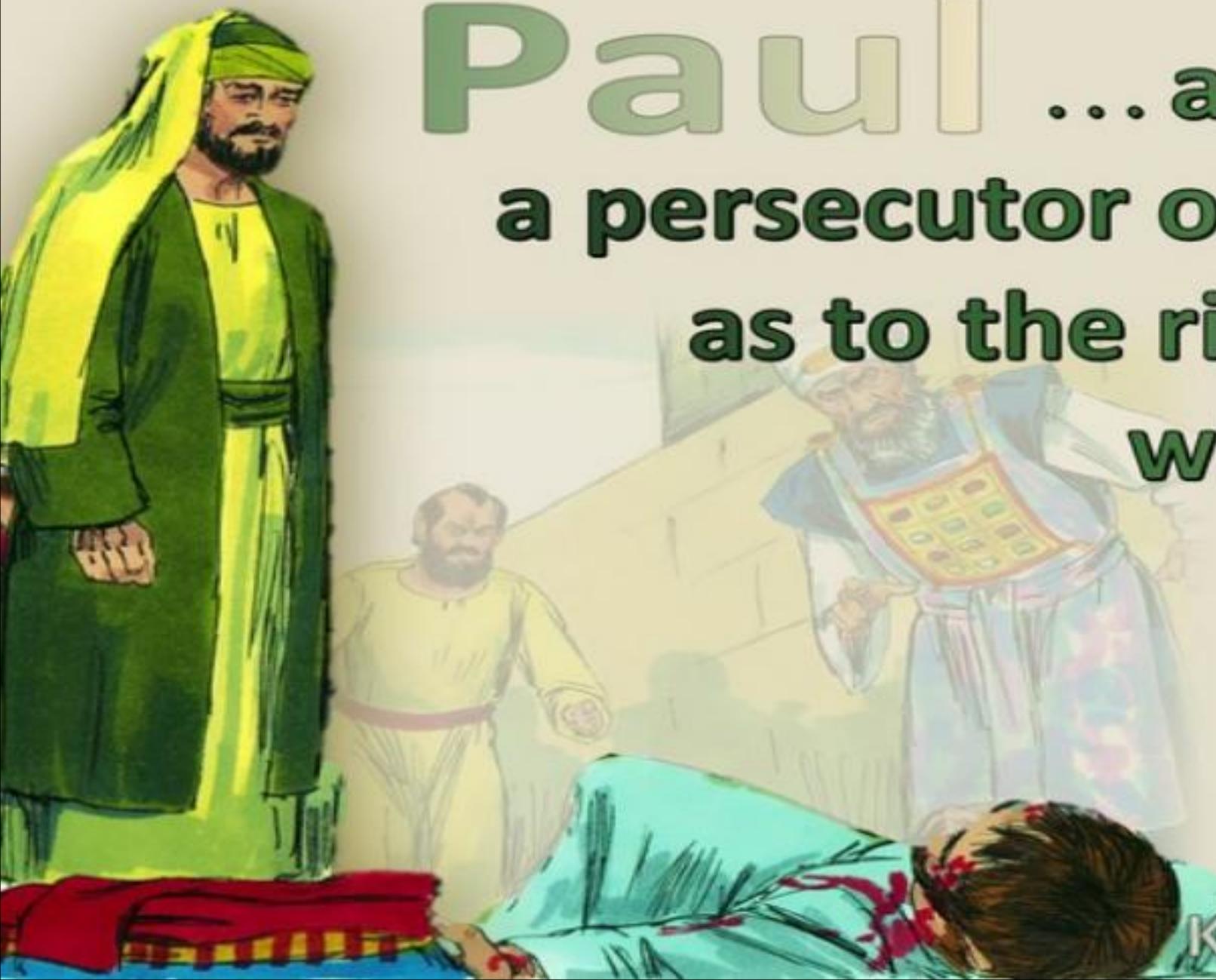
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Challenge:

“If God forgave it, why are you still feeding it?”



**Paul ... as to zeal,
a persecutor of the church;
as to the righteousness
which is in the
Law, found
blameless.**

Philippians 3:6



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Because Grace Rewrites Our Identity

ANYTHING YOU
CAN'T CONTROL
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TEACHING YOU
HOW TO LET
GO.

Unknown
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the Apostle

- circumcised the eighth day
- of the nation of Israel
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- as to the Law, a Pharisee

Philippians 3:5

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Let Go of.. ...Past Successes

- **Paul had Spiritual Achievements:**
 - Circumcised on the Eighth Day
 - Hebrew of Hebrews
 - Pharisee
 - Zealous
 - Blameless in the Law
- But He Calls Them -Gk "*garbage, refuse, dung*"

"My past victories are not my present identity."

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Challenge:

"Don't Build a Shrine Around What God Used to Do."



GETTING PAST YOUR PAST

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Challenge:

**“This year, no microwave devotion —
go deeper.”**



Reach for ...Spiritual Growth

- Deeper Prayer
- Stronger Devotion
- Higher Worship
- Greater Obedience

**AS IRON SHARPENS IRON,
SO ONE PERSON
SHARPENS ANOTHER.**

PROVERBS 27.17



**Reach for...
...Healthy Relationships**

- ✓ People Who Sharpen You
- ✓ People Who Challenge You
- ✓ People Who Pray With You
- ✓ People Who Push You

The High Calling Of God

"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:14



Reach for Kingdom Purpose

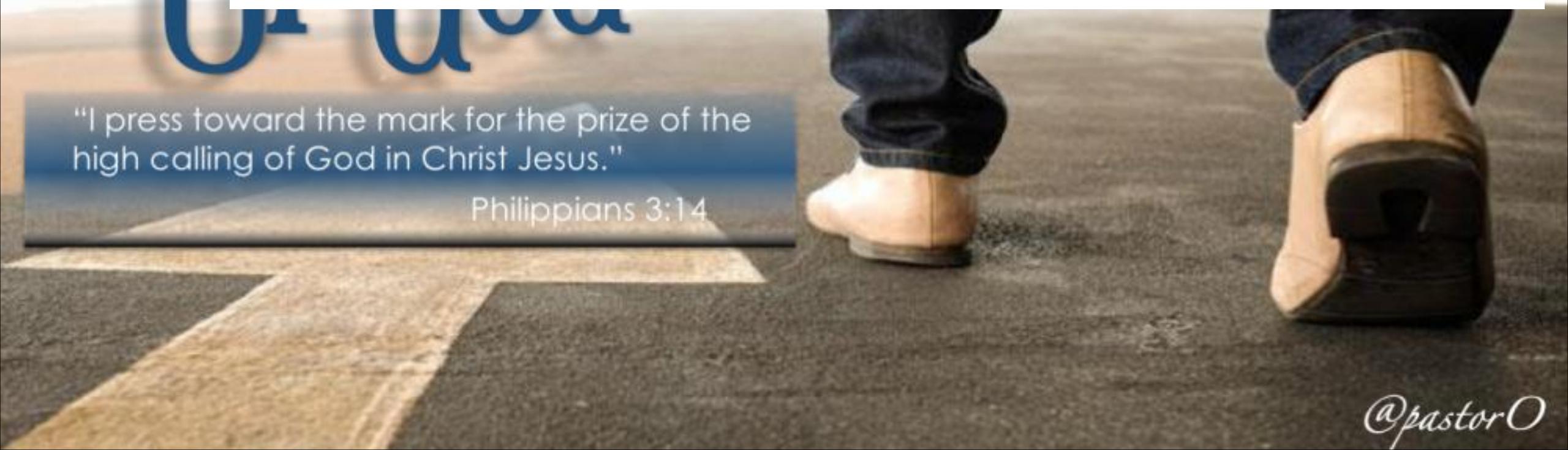
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Gk - “calling” klesis —

a divine summons, a heavenly invitation.

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**God Has Called You
To Live Beyond Ordinary
Live Beyond Our
Past
Problems
Pains
To Step Up
Go Beyond the Mile**

There is no sense in punishing
your future for the
mistakes of the past.

FORGIVE YOURSELF,
grow from it, and
then let it GO.

Melanie Koulouris.



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Everybody Stand

- **If you're ready to let go of what's behind you...**
- **If you're ready to reach for what's ahead...**
- **If you're ready to press toward the mark...**
 - **Raise Both Hands Saying...**



God's purpose is not limited by your past.

Rick Warren

Raise Both Hands and Say...

**"Lord, Reset me- Realign me- Refocus me-
Renew me.**

- Prepare me for the new year**

Raise Both Hands and Say...

"Lord, Reset me- Realign me- Refocus me- Renew me.

- Prepare me for the new year**
- Now lift your hands and declare:**

This year,

- I will run with purpose, walk with power, and live with passion**
- And the God who brought you through last year is about to launch you into this one w- FIRE, w- FOCUS /w- HOLY GHOST POWER.**

2025

Look back and
thank Jesus.

2026

Look forward and
trust Jesus.