

Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

Philippians 3:16 (NIV)

In Step With Me

Keep moving forward with me. Forget the past. Don't look back. Keep your eyes on me. Watch where I am leading you. Listen to what I am teaching you. I thought you wanted me to remember the past. **Yes, I do. I want you to remember what I have taught you. I want you to hold on to what you have learned. I want you to remember all that I have done for you. I want you to remember how I have worked in and through your life. Those parts of our past together you will do very well to remember. You will be encouraged and spurred on by what I have already done in your life.** What from my past do you want me to forget? **You tell me.** I'm not sure. **Take a guess.** I think you want me to leave behind anything that would hinder me from following you right now. I think you want me to forget what you have forgiven and forgotten. **Like what?** You want me to leave behind the baggage of my old life before I met you. You want me to leave behind my old sins, setbacks and failures. You want me to let go of anything that has discouraged and depressed me in the past. **Yes, I do.**

Think of your life in this way. There are many things to let go of that will weigh you down. There are many things to hold on to that will help you to keep in step with me. Like what? **Hold on to me. Hold on to what I have done for you. Hold on to how I have worked in and through your life. Hold on to my word. Hold on to all that I have taught you. Hold on to the people that I have brought into your life. Hold on what I have given you to do for me. Will you do that?** Yes Lord, I will. **Then let go of anything that will hinder you from keeping in step with me. You have already mentioned some of these hindrances. Let go of your setbacks and failures. Let go of your doubts and discouragements. Let go of condemnation. Let go of guilt and grief. There is one thing that you can be sure of.** What's that? **If I am asking you to let go of something I have something else for you to hold on to instead.** I'm not sure what you mean. **I think you do know what I mean. If you let go of doubt what can you take hold of?** As I let go of doubt I can take hold of faith. **Let's try some more. If you let go of failure what can you take hold of?** As I let go of failure I can take hold of victory that you have brought into my life. **Yes, you can. Let's try another. If you let go of sin what can you take hold of?** As I let go of sin I can take hold of the forgiveness and cleansing I have in you. **Yes, you can. You now have the idea. Let go of what I don't want you to carry so you can hold on to what I have done, am doing and will do in your life. Then you will be able to keep in step with me. Will you do that?** Yes Lord, I will.

Lord, thank you for directing my life. You have been my counselor and my guide. You have taught me what I needed to know. You have led me where I needed to go. Help me to hold on to you and keep in step with all you are teaching me as I follow you. Amen

Let Us*Live Up*

All of us who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

NIV

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Hold True*

Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

ESV

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Hold On*

Let all who are spiritually mature agree on these things. If you disagree on some point, I believe God will make it plain to you. But we must hold on to the progress we have already made.

NLT

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Walk By*

Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind.

NKJV

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Hold Fast*

Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained.

NRSV

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Stay On It*

So let's keep focused on that goal, those of us who want everything God has for us. If any of you have something else in mind, something less than total commitment, God will clear your blurred vision—you'll see it yet! Now that we're on the right track, let's stay on it.

MSG

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Hold True*

So let those [of us] who are spiritually mature and full-grown have this mind and hold these convictions; and if in any respect you have a different attitude of mind, God will make that clear to you also. Only let us hold true to what we have already attained and walk and order our lives by that.

AMP

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Fully Obey*

I hope all of you who are mature Christians will see eye-to-eye with me on these things, and if you disagree on some point, I believe that God will make it plain to you— if you fully obey the truth you have.

TLB

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Keep Living*

Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you; however, let us keep living by that same standard to which we have attained.

NASB

Philippians 3:15-16

Let Us*Continue Following*

All of us who are spiritually mature should think this way, too. And if there are things you do not agree with, God will make them clear to you. But we should continue following the truth we already have.

NCV

Philippians 3:15-16

Live Up

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Let Us – Philippians 3:15-16

In Context: *Read Philippians 3*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

All of us who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. Only let us live up to what we have already attained. Philippians 3:15-16

Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, thank you for directing my life. You have been my counselor and my guide. You have taught me what I needed to know. You have led me where I needed to go. Help me to hold on to you and keep in step with all you are teaching me as I follow you. Amen

What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How have your thoughts and desires matured as you have continued to follow Jesus Christ?

How is your life being guided by what you have learned so far as you have followed Jesus Christ?

How are you living by the truth that you have already received from Jesus Christ?

How are you holding on and keeping in step with what you have been taught By Jesus Christ?

How is your life moving forward according to the rules that you have learned from Jesus Christ?

How are you being faithful to the truth that you already know from Jesus Christ?

What progress have you made as you have continued to live your life with and for Jesus Christ?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Live a mature life of faith in Jesus Christ by holding on and living according to all that you have been taught by Him.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that the Lord will help you to hold on and keep in step with the truth you have been taught in Him.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are living according to the truth you know in Jesus Christ.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you live a life of faith in Jesus Christ by holding on to the truth you are being taught by Him.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will hold on to you and live the life of faith that you are teaching me to live.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I better hold on and live out the life of faith that you are teaching me to live with and for you?
