# Press Forward Pastor Daniel Floyd – LifePoint Church 9.25.2022

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

#### [Philippians 3:12-16, NASB]

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already grasped it all or have already become perfect, but I press on if I may also take hold of that for which I was even taken hold of by Christ Jesus. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, I do not regard myself as having taken hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Therefore, all who are mature, let's have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that to you as well; <sup>16</sup> however, let's keep living by that same standard to which we have attained.

The call of God is to stir something in us to have faith, hope, and belief to rise again.

Two things we need to forget...

#### 1. Forgetting your past failures

Don't let the mistakes of your past come into your present and bind you. Your past is under the blood and the grace of Jesus.

### 2. Forgetting your past successes

Paul has a forward pursuit in his heart that caused him to lean in.

You get out what you put in.

#### God is shaping us into the image of His Son. He is doing something in you so He can do something through you.

#### You don't get to FAITH without OBEDIENCE.

## You don't move forward by yourself. It's a together thing - Find community - Join A Group

#### [Philippians 3:10, NIV]

I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

#### FOR MONDAY—

- 1. Ask God to show you things in your past to forget and move forward.
- 2. Make the decision to find someone who can help you move forward.

#### TALK IT THROUGH

- 1. Why do some people play it safe?
- 2. What does playing it safe with faith look like for you?
- 3. How do we regain momentum and press forward in our faith?
- 4. What importance is there in "forgetting what lies behind?" (failures, successes)
- 5. What are some things you should forget?
- 6. Where are you facing resistance, and how are you pressing against it? In light of that, what are you pressing toward?
- 7. How is community a key to pressing forward?