

Philippians 3:12-4:1

THEOLOGICAL
DISCLAIMER

Not claiming (-)

12 Not that I have already obtained it or have already become

Claiming (+)

perfect but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which

Arrived at
"full knowledge of Christ"
i.e. PERFECTION

also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I do not

(-) Not claiming

regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do:

(+) Claiming

Means of "pressing"

#1 forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what

lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the

Direction

upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let us therefore, as

APPLICATION STATED

c.f. 2.1,3,5 — Christ minded

Maturity

many as are perfect, have this attitude and if in anything you

The minors

have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

16 however, let us keep living by that same standard to which

we have attained. — live by what you do know

APPLICATION EXPANDED

17 Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those

- Example
- Observe
- Walk
- Pattern
- Brethren
- Us

Manner of Life

who walk according to the pattern you have in us. 18 For

Majority

"many" walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you

MOTIVATION OF WORLD

even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ,

How They Walk
and what
they look like

19 whose end is destruction whose god is their appetite and

whose glory is in their shame) who set their minds on earthly

Downward
(Direction)
Upward

things. 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we

eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; 21 who will

await as we are in hot pursuit

About to get APOCALYPTIC UP IN THIS MIND

Near word-for-word
Parallel to 2.5-11

transform the body of our humble state into conformity

with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that

contra v. 19

Cosmic Sweep

He has even to subject all things to Himself.

Ultimate Sov. Lord of
ALL!!!

Universe

For this reason

4 (Therefore) my beloved brethren whom I long to see, my joy

us

Faithful Christians

Reward

and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, my beloved.

Cf. 1.27