OUTLINE 10/05/25 Growing With Joy

Philippians 3:12-21 (NKJV)

Day by day, I can become more and more like Jesus.

1. Grow With Perseverance

- ¹² Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but <u>I press on</u>, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.
- ¹³ Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and <u>reaching forward to those things which are ahead</u>, ¹⁴ I <u>press toward</u> the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:12-14

2. Grow With Perspective

- ¹⁵ Therefore let us, as many as are mature, <u>have this mind</u>; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you.
- ¹⁶ Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, <u>let us be of the same mind</u>. ¹⁷ Brethren, join in <u>following my example</u>, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern.
- ¹⁸ For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: ¹⁹ whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame--who set their mind on earthly things. Philippians 3:15-19

3. Grow In Patience

²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from which <u>we also eagerly wait</u> for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ <u>who will transform our lowly body</u> that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself. Philippians 3:20-21

How to Receive Christ:

"Dear Jesus, thank You for loving me even though I'm a sinner. I ask for your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sin and that You rose from the dead. I trust You as my Savior and follow You as Lord, from this day forward. Amen."

Join Us Next Week For: Living With Joy – Philippians 4:4-9

Discussion Questions:

- 1. When have you been thankful you didn't quit?
- **2.** Why should we forget somethings in our past?
- 3. What encounters or practices have helped you grow spiritually?