



Welcome + Opening Prayer

THEMATIC OVERVIEW

*How God's hold on us
matters more than how well
we hold on to God.*

Philippians 3:4b, 7-14

See passage printed on the back of this page.

Explore + Apply

1. In verse 12, Paul freely admits the in-process nature of his own faith life: “Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect.” But grace-dependence is not a liability, it’s a power for ministry: “but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.” What might he mean by “press on,” and what is the “it” in “make it my own”?
2. Paul understands that he has been taken hold of by God, in Jesus, and that everything good— everything resurrective in his life— flows from that reality. Where do you see an invitation to grace-fueled, intentional action in this passage?

Pray

- ▶ Spend time praising God that he loves and seeks us while still “in process”
- ▶ Pray and listen: Where do you see an invitation to grace-fueled, intentional action in this passage?
- ▶ Imagine West Seattle, greater Seattle, our country, and the world fueled by the grace already given by Jesus Christ. Pray this Kingdom reality to come on earth as it is in heaven.

Home Groups are a vital part of shared life and growth in Christ. Here, we build community, deepen relationships, and discover and live the Christian life together.

PRAYER GUIDELINES

*In prayer, we ask God to
transform us and the world
with His grace.*

GROUP SCHEDULE - FALL

Next Meeting: week of Nov 10

*Nov 17— Living Here: a
conversation about enjoying
and extending God's grace in
the neighborhoods we call
home | imagining the next 10
years of All Souls
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Philippians 3:4b, 7-14

4b If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more:

7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.