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# WHAT MOTIVATES US TO PRESS FORWARD

## PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14

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Philippians 3:10-14

My goal is to know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, [11] assuming that I will somehow reach the resurrection from among the dead. [12] Not that I have already reached the goal or am already perfect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus. [13] Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead, [14] I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God's heavenly call in Christ Jesus.

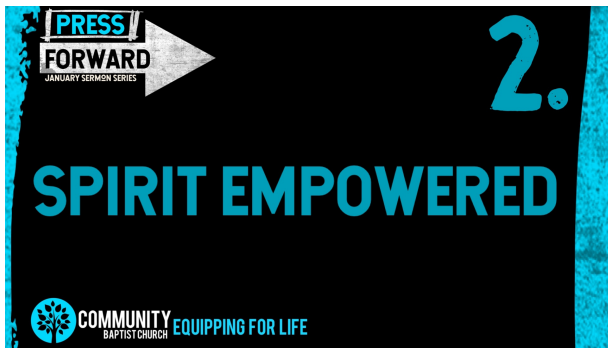
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A hallmark of a kingdom-driven mindset is an eternal perspective that prioritizes the lasting things of God over temporary personal gain. Rather than storing up treasures on earth, believers are encouraged to store up treasures in heaven (Matthew 6:19-20). This outlook shapes choices, relationships, and even how one endures trials—since there is confidence that God's eternal purposes are greater than any present hardship (Romans 8:18).



To be “Spirit-empowered” means to live in continual reliance on the Holy Spirit—receiving His power for witness, guidance for daily decisions, transformation in character, and the ability to serve the church and the world effectively. This life is marked by a humility that acknowledges we can do nothing of eternal value apart from God’s enabling presence.



To be love-inspired means to let the love of God shape every aspect of your life. It is allowing the sacrificial, transforming love of Jesus Christ—poured into us by the Holy Spirit—to be the driving motivation behind how we think, speak, and act. This kind of love is more than a feeling; it’s an active commitment to honor God and serve others in ways that reflect His own heart.