

1. **IDENTIFY** and then pursue what matters most.

(Philippians 3:10)

- **Knowing Christ means ... experiencing intimate personal knowledge about Who He is, what He's like and how He works.**
- **Knowing the power of His resurrection means ... experiencing personal ongoing life change.**
- **Knowing the fellowship of sharing in His sufferings means ... experiencing the struggle of resisting sin's desire to control.**

Is "knowing Jesus better" your highest pursuit in 2018?

2. Begin to value every other personal \_\_\_\_\_, natural \_\_\_\_\_, or accomplishment, as it compares to knowing Jesus.

(Philippians 3:7-8, cf. Jeremiah 9:23-24)

**Loss & rubbish** – two words that best describe the value of everything in your life, both now and in the future, when compared to knowing Jesus better (compare with Luke 14:26 & 1 John 2:15-17)

Is there someone or something in your life that holds a higher value or priority than knowing Jesus better?

3. **Don't \_\_\_\_\_ or get discouraged by your progress; knowing Jesus takes a lifetime.**

(Philippians 3:12-13a, cf. Hebrews 12:2 & 1 John 3:2)

*Have you been discouraged by your spiritual progress? If so don't let it to keep you from making Jesus, your highest pursuit in 2010.*

4. \_\_\_\_\_ the door on your past; the good, the bad, the ugly.

(Philippians 3:13b-14, cf. 1 John 1:9)

**Forgetting** – deciding to no longer let the past control you're present

*Have you been allowing your past to control your present?*

Ask God to help you "forget" the past so that you can make progress towards what matters most.

**BE PROACTIVE TO KNOW JESUS BETTER:**

1. Read, reflect, and pray through Philippians 3:1-14 daily.
2. Answer this question: *Is knowing Jesus the most important pursuit in my life?*
3. Based on your answer; affirm, recommit, or adjust your life or your thinking, so that you make knowing Jesus your highest pursuit in 2018.