



**“PRESSING ON
TOWARD THE GOAL”**

Philippians 3:12

Ephesians 4:12-13

Running Reflections

A person is running on a track, with their legs and feet visible in the lower right portion of the frame. The background is a blurred track surface. A large, dark, semi-transparent rounded rectangle is overlaid on the left and center of the image, containing white text. At the bottom of the image, the words "Running Reflections" are written in a stylized, cursive font.

I. Paul, the running man reaching for a lesser goal

A. Men's quest to attain

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I. Paul, the running man reaching for a lesser goal

B. Paul and the big picture for true attainment

Philippians 3:12

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

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A person is running on a path, with their legs and feet visible. The image is overlaid with a dark, semi-transparent rounded rectangle containing text. The text is white and bold. The background is a blurred outdoor scene with a path and some foliage.

II. Sometimes we lean too much on our past

A. The stones in muddy water

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II. Sometimes we lean too much on our past

B. Four points we need to think on:

1. I am not what I ought to be
2. I am not what I hope to be
3. I am not what I once was
4. By the grace of God I am what I am

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III. MAINTAINING OUR SIGHT ON THE GOAL: EPHESIANS 4:12-13


¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers,
¹² to equip his people for works of service,
so that the body of Christ may be built up
¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in
the knowledge of the Son of God and become
mature, attaining to the whole measure
of the fullness of Christ.

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IV. We must strive like Paul, to reach Christian perfection and attain our goal:

A. “But” I am - (insert your EXCUSE)

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**As a church continuing toward the
goal God set for us all!**

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