**Planning to Grow**

**Planning to Grow in our Pursuit of Christ**

**Philippians 3:12-14 -** *Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

**I. Humbly Evaluate Your Current Spiritual Condition**

A. By understanding there is always room for growth

B. By the standard of perfection in Christ

**II. Properly Put Your Past in Its Place**

A. By refusing to rest on your successes

B. By refusing to be crippled by your failures

**III. Passionately Pursue Christ**

A. Because Christ passionately pursued you

B. Because this prize is the greatest source of joy and encouragement