



“Press On (2)

Have you made your New Year’s Resolutions? Before you do, listen to the Apostle Paul in Philippians 3:17-20. He has some good advice for a New Year or any time as you press on.

Paul gets to the point saying recognize we are. We are Christians- that is our identity, so we need to be thinking like Christians. We are already saved so we should be thinking, not like the rest of world but using the wisdom of God. We have it, let’s use it. Moving on he says if we think like Christians we should also act like Christians. Follow the Christian pattern and model as set out by Christ and followed by Paul. A lot of people today are trying hard to be original. There is no one more original than Christ.

You can’t get any more original or authentic than Jesus!

You can try but it doesn’t work. Paul says our citizenship is in heaven. That’s where we belong and that’s where we are going. Oh, you will have obstacles and even strong opposition. But press on.

Want some specifics on thinking and living for 2019 or any other time, as in the rest of your life?

Think like a Christian, Live like a Christian, Follow the model of a Christian and be a Model by pressing on. Press on by:

- Praying daily for God’s will in your life and keep a daily prayer list for others
- Reading your Bible daily- don’t just rely on Sunday to learn God’s Word
- Maintaining regular fellowship with other Christians i.e. church and church activities.

This doesn’t mean we ignore the rest of the world. In fact we want the rest of the world to get in on it. It is not what happens to us that will make 2019 a great year. It is what happens in us.

Complete sermon available on request: pastorfred@rogers.com

Happy Birthday – Mike Scott - January 6

Next Week -

“Who’s in Control?”

You, Me or God

Good habits for the New Year:

- **Combine daily pray with daily Bible study**
 - Set aside daily quiet time - minimum 10-15 minutes, alone or with someone else
 - Make the time. Make it natural.
 - Use a daily devotional or simply start at a Bible book and read a chapter a day
 - *Talk to God any time any where*
- **Find a Bible study group or other Christian activity to be involved in.**
 - There’s tons of them, in your own church or community or within your circle of friends.
- **Check out good free internet Bible study resources including**
 - Olive Tree
 - Blue Letter Bible
 - Right Now Media
- **Listen to Christian radio stations while driving (WDCX -99.5 in the GTA)**

Don’t have time for this? Don’t believe it. Everybody makes time for what they deem important.

More everyday tips:

For weight loss:	<i>eat less</i>
To save money:	<i>spend less</i>
To save time:	<i>talk less, complain less</i>
To get more friends:	<i>be friendly</i>
To get more:	<i>give more</i>
To get more love:	<i>You can’t be loved more by God than you already are. Give it away</i>

Thank you Lord for: *(list your blessings)*

Forgive me Lord for.....

Pray for:

The sick: - Brian M; Brian F; Eric D; Mel S; Tom Carr is in the hospital; Elaine; Maxine; Alf D; Rudy C; Carole's grandson;

Broken relationships

The Lonely

The Poor

The Grieving

Depressed

Struggling financially and work related

Missions: Kelly Culp - Youth for Christ; Umune family, CBM missionaries

Local churches and global churches

Community, province, country

FAMILIES

For personal prayer requests please email pastorfred@rogers.com or ph:416-254-5218

Events

AA meetings - Friday nights 8:00 pm

January 19, 9:00 a.m. Bridgemen's breakfast at the church

January 19, 9:00 a.m. Ladies breakfast at the Wilsons

January 23, 6:00 p.m. Alpha at the church

January 27 - Annual Meeting after church service.

Are you new to the church? Have a need?

Want to talk? Chat with Fred or Judee-

Call anytime 416-254-5218 for appointment.

Judee's Jewels



Encouragement for 2019 - God says,
"I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland."

Isaiah 43:19 (NLT)

Did You Know ?

The best way to maintain your self-control is to give it to God. Difficult? (Sunday sermon)

Next week: January 13, 2019

"Who's in Control?"

Devotion and prayer time at 9:30

Children's Sunday School approx. 10:30