

How To Live Above Yourself Philippians 3:12-14

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1. If we surveyed everyone here in this room, I believe everyone would say that they want to get the most out of life. None of us want to be average.
2. Sometimes our goals are pretty insignificant in the larger scheme of things; sometimes they are actually destructive.
3. There are so many people who miss the point of life.
4. You can live above yourself! Paul outlines three steps for this kind of creative living.
 - I. Live With A Healthy Understanding of Your Purpose. Philippians 3:12, “Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.”
 - A. Success demands that we know our purpose.
 - B. Paul knew his purpose.
 - C. Do you know your purpose?
 - II. Live With A Healthy View of the Past. Philippians 3:13, “Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,”
 - A. Healthy living involves putting away damaging memories.
 - B. There are just two things we need to remember.
 - C. There are just two things we need to forget.
 1. “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” Romans 8:1
 - III. Have Goals That Accomplish The Best In Life. Philippians 3:14, “I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”
 - A. If you really want to live above yourself, you have to aspire to a worthy goal.
 - B. Go for the best life has to offer. Philippians 3:14, “I press on toward the goal to win the prize...”