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THEME: NEW AMBITIONS - LIFE APPLICATION

PASSAGE: PHILIPPIANS 3:10-21

LAUNCH

When you were young, what did you want to be when you grew up?

As you have gone through life, what have been your major ambitions?

If you had a chance to live your life again, would you change any of them?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

What exactly does it mean to 'know Christ and the power of his resurrection'?

In what ways might 'resurrection power' become more evident in our lives?

How do we go about increasing this power?

Why did Paul want 'to know the fellowship of Christ's suffering?' Should we hold a similar ambition? Why or why not?

Paul is 'pressing on to take hold of that for which Christ took hold of him'.

What does this phrase mean and in what ways are you being called to 'press on'?

What is the prize to which God is calling us heavenwards?

Another phrase used by Jesus is 'storing up treasures in heaven'. What are these treasures? How do they differ from earthly treasures? How do we go about storing them up?

'Even with tears' (v 18). What should we be weeping about?

Spend time praying for some of these things.

APPLICATION

Spend time praying for anyone who is flagging at the moment that they would have renewed spiritual energy to press on in the Christian walk.