



Word of Faith Centre Theme of Year 2021

PRESSING ON TOWARDS PERFECTION

Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Php 3:12

Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, Php 3:13

I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Php 3:14

Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, Heb 6:1

The call to perfection

Father we receive the call to be perfect (complete & whole, to be mature). That we as a body and local church, will rise up in unity, to the knowledge of the Son of God, and the measure of the fullness of Christ. That we as individuals shall progress from the milk to the meat of the word of righteousness. Mat 5:48, Eph 4:12-13, Heb 5:12, Heb 6:1.

Pressing forward with God

Father we are grateful that You have begun a good work in us and You are faithful to bring it to completion. It is You that is at work within us, causing us to will and to do your good pleasure, and we align with Your heart for us as a church and as individuals as we press forward to maturity, in Jesus' Name. Php 1:6, Php 2:13.

Our future is secure in God

Father we thank You for the privilege of journeying with You into a future filled with hope, knowing Your thoughts toward us are good and not evil. We choose to be steadfast and immovable as we go forward. Our confidence is that You are able to do exceedingly

abundantly beyond what we can ask or think in our lives through this year. Jer 29:11, 1 Cor 15:58, Eph 3:20.

Choosing to let go of the past

Father we thank You that the old has gone, and that not only have we been made brand new in Christ, but our past can no longer dictate our future. We choose to remember no more the former things and the things of old, but we look to the new things You are establishing in our lives and Your church in Jesus' Name. 2 Cor 5:17, Is 43:18-19, Php 3:13.

Free to set free

Father we are grateful that You have released us from ALL the guilt of the past, so that we can step into a future of purity and wholeness in Christ, but we also choose to free others through forgiveness from their wrongs against us. We refuse to be chained and held down by wounds and hurts, as we receive healing and wholeness in Jesus' Name. Heb 10:17, Mat 6:12, Eph 4:32, Jer 30:17, Jam 5:16.

Love, the bond of perfection

Father help us to be strong in our love to one another, to grow united and bonded together in love. We pray that through this year, we shall grow in maturity and in our love toward each other. By this perfected love may the world see that we are Your disciples. Col 3:14, 1 John 4:12, John 13:34-35.

God's Instruments of perfection

A) The word and the blood

Father we thank you for the offering of Your Son Jesus, and that by His outpoured blood we have forever a complete salvation, having nothing left out, unlike those under the law. As we continue to keep Your word, Your love finds full and complete expression through our lives. Heb 10:14, 1 John 2:5.

B) Suffering

Lord help us not to despise the path of suffering. Through this You became the author of eternal salvation for us all, and after we have suffered a while we too shall be matured and perfected as we hold strong through any suffering that comes our way, knowing it is working for us, something much more than natural and carnal things can measure. Heb 5:8-9, 1 Pet 5:10, 2 Cor 10:17-18.

C) The covering of prayer

Help us Father to labour fervently in prayer for one another that we may stand mature and perfected in Your will. Col 4:12; Rom 12:12; Jam 5:16

Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. Heb 13:20-21