

1. A man's character, a man's interest, the purpose of a man's life, will determine what he sees wherever he goes.
2. Human life is a solemn thing--more solemn than death in view of its responsibilities.
 1. Every true life must have its purpose.
 2. Every successful life, its plan, or principle.
 3. Every earnest life must have its motive

PURPOSE:

3. Paul's life a success, this was his purpose
"I press toward the mark."

PLAN, THE

4. "Forgetting the things which are behind."
 1. What Paul had to forget--his love for Judaism. *Phil. 3:4-6; Gal. 1:13,14*
 2. What every man has to forget, to reach the mark.
 3. Men cannot serve God with divided heart
Matthew 6:24; Matt. 12:30; Luke 16:13.
5. Reaching forward to those things which are before.
 1. Paul did not live in the dead past.
 2. Our crown life is before us. Hope looks forward and not backward.

PRIZE, THE

6. No soul can wage successfully the battle of life without some grand prize set before it.
 1. Christ endured... Heb. 12:1-2. Secret of Paul's life of sacrifice. "I press forward for the prize of the high calling. see 2 Tim 4:1-8"

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