

## Ponder Your Path

- 1. When you made a decision to follow Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Lord and Savior, the path you were on changed, and your destination changed. What do you learn in the following verses about your destination?
  - a. Philippians 3:14
  - b. Matthew 25:23
- 2. Although as believers we may all have the same destination, we each have a unique path to get there. Comparing your path to another's journey is not wise (II Corinthians10:12). What does Proverbs 3:5-6 tell you?
- 3. How are you to walk on your journey, according to II Corinthians 5:7? What does this mean?
- 4. Read Hebrews 12:1-2, and answer these questions about your significant journey.
  - a. What should you lay aside on your journey?
  - b. What quality is essential to your journey?
  - c. Where should your focus be?

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- 5. One of the weights that can slow you down in your significant journey can be events from your past. Yet God says to "forget those things which are behind." Forgiveness may be the key to doing this. Do you need to lay aside a weight by forgiving someone today?
- 6. "The sin which so easily besets us" could be defined as those sins and temptations which we are prone to repeat because of our own particular weaknesses. We all have them. What do these verses say is key to your success in laying aside these besetting sins?
  - a. Deuteronomy 5:32-33
  - b. Psalms 119:1-11
- 7. Consider your path and the circumstances of your life. Which of these words would describe where you are at right now (season of waiting, hardship, transition, crossroads, anticipation, questioning, loneliness, fulfillment, other)?
  - a. How have you seen God's hand in the midst of your circumstances?
- 8. On any untravelled road, there is an uncertainty of what lies around the next bend. Your circumstances could change at any moment. Cynthia Heald says "It is important to remember that we hold the hand of a Father who has perfect knowledge of what lies ahead, and perfect intentions for what He will allow us to go through." What does God promise you in Philippians 4:6-7? What are the conditions of that promise?

- 9. Shadrach, Meshack and Abednego faced the threat of the fiery furnace. They were not sure whether God would <u>deliver</u> them from the fiery furnace, or <u>go</u> <u>with them</u> through it. Read their response in Daniel 3:17-18. No matter what happened, they were willing to submit to God's will. Can you say that about the circumstances of your journey right now?
- 10. Read Romans 8:28 and write down what God has promised about the circumstances of your journey. How does this comfort you?
- 11. I Corinthians 15:58 exhorts us to continue our journey with endurance. How can you persevere on this journey?
- 12. Philippians 1:6 gives you a promise for our journey. How does this help you to rest in your journey?