Bible Study for March 7-13, 2022

Read: Philippians 3:15-4:1

Notes:

Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.

Questions to Ponder:

As a child, did you have a goal for your life: who you wanted to be, what you wanted to do, or how you wanted to live? How did that work out for you?

What do you do when goals in life don't work out for you? Do you make new plans or press on even when it seems hopeless? Why?

What goals might you have had that, in retrospect, didn't fit in with God's plan?

Comparing your spiritual life to a race, are you sitting it out due to lack of practice, an injury, or no warm up? Are you at the starting blocks? Going full tilt? Ready to give up? Why?

What hurdles in life keep you from putting everything you have into such a spiritual race?

How can we bring ourselves to keep our minds on heavenly things, rather than the "earthly things" mentioned in verse 19?